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# BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

FIRST

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH OF

# ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

1887-88.

London:
F. Worthy, Printer, 168, Battersea Park Road.
1888.

## Commissioners:

Mr. C. Spencer Smith, *Chairman.*

„ Howarth Barnes.

„ J. Francis Bursill.

„ C. Donaldson.

Rev. W. Hamilton.

Mr. Hugh James.

„ John Mellor.

„ Percy M. Thornton.

## Officers:

Lawrence Inkster, *Secretary & Librarian.*

William Beidle, *Sub-Librarian.*

James Dougan, *Assistant.*

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*First ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS, for the Parish of ST. MARY, BATTERSEA, in the County of SURREY.*

A period of twelve months having elapsed since the appointment of the Commissioners, they submit their first Annual Report.

The Public Libraries Acts were adopted by the Parish on the 16th day of March 1887.

On the 1st of June the Vestry appointed the following gentlemen to act as Commissioners, viz.: — Mr. J. C. Buckmaster, Mr. J. Francis Bursill, Mr. Andrew Cameron, Rev. J. Erskine Clarke, Mr. C. Donaldson, Rev. W. Hamilton, Mr. Hugh James, Mr. John Mellor, and Mr. C. Spencer Smith. The Commissioners met for the first time on the 8th of June, when Mr. Andrew Cameron was elected Chairman.

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The Commissioners have been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Lawrence Inkster, who was for eight years Librarian of the South Shields Public Library. On the 20th of July he was appointed Secretary and Librarian as from the 12th of September, when he entered on his duties at the temporary offices, No. 346, Battersea Park Road, where a Reading Room was opened on the 27th of September. The Latchmere Reading Room was placed at the disposal of the Commissioners by the Guardians at a rental of £39 per annum, including lighting, warming and cleaning, and opened on the 28th of November. Both rooms have been very well attended.

The Commissioners, having carefully considered the requirements of the Parish, and the amount placed at their disposal by the Library Rate, came to the conclusion that it would be advisable to establish a Central Library and two Branches, although they clearly recognised the difficulty of carrying out this scheme, unless they were greatly assisted by the liberality of the public. In order to bring the subject prominently before the inhabitants of the Parish, a Public Meeting was held on the 6th of December, Mr. Andrew Cameron presiding, when appropriate addresses were delivered by Mr. Leslie Stephen, the Hon. and Rev. Canon F. G. Pelham, Mr. O. V. Morgan, M.P., the Rev. Walter Edwards, Mr. Percy M. Thornton, the Rev. Canon J. Erskine Clarke, the Rev. W. Hamilton, and others. Although the meeting was well attended, and its object appeared to meet with much sympathy, the financially results were, not such as to encourage the Commissioners to hope that they will be able to carry out the whole of their scheme so speedily and

effectively as they could have wished. They desire, however, gratefullyto acknowledge the following gifts as a result of the meeting, viz.:—

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| The Morgan Crucible Company ... | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| T. W. Aldwinckle, Esq. ... ... | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| George Wyndham, Esq. ... ... | 2 | 2 | 0 |

J. S. Gilliat, Esq., M.P., books to the value of five guineas.

W. W. Young, Esq., 50 volumes of books.

A cheque for £10, for the purchase of books, has also been received from Mrs. H. S. Thornton, of Battersea Rise, and several smaller donations are recorded in the Appendix.

The Churchwardens and Overseers have also transferred, under certain conditions, the Library of the late Battersea Literary and Scientific Institution, including about 1,000 volumes available for use.

A site for the Central Library has been secured on Lavender Hill, at a cost of £3,000, and plans are under consideration for the erection of a suitable building on a portion of the ground. The remainder of the land is reserved as the site for a Museum, Science, Art, and Technical Schools, for the means to establish which the Commissioners earnestly appeal to public generosity. The Commissioners have also secured a site adjoining the Albert Palace, in Lurline Gardens, upon which a Branch Library will be erected as soon as circumstances will permit. The price of this freehold will be about £840.

The Trustees of Lammas Hall have let to the Commissioners, for the purposes of a Branch Library, the old Vestry Offices, at a rental of £40

a year. The Reading Room is already open and the first Lending Library will shortly be opened here with a stock of about 5,000 volumes.

The temporary Reading Room at 346, Battersea Park Road, has been closed, and the Latchmere Reading Room is now open from 8 a.m. till 10 p.m. daily.

In December, Mr. J. C. Buckmaster resigned his place on the Board, on his leaving the neighbourhood, and he was succeeded by Mr. Percy M. Thornton. On the 26th of March Mr. Andrew Cameron, the first Chairman of the Commissioners, was obliged to resign through ill health, much to the regret of his colleagues, and Mr. C. Spencer Smith was elected Chairman in his place. Mr. Howarth Barnes succeeded Mr. Cameron, as a Commissioner. The Rev. Canon Clarke has also intimated his intention to resign, being unable to give the time necessary to the work.

Having regard to the liberality displayed towards the Libraries in neighbouring Parishes, (notably in Lambeth, where £25,000 have been subscribed) the Commissioners earnestly hope for liberal contributions in money and books for the furtherance of the important work entrusted to them.

In the appendix will be found lists of the Donors and their gifts, of the papers supplied to the Reading Rooms, and of the attendances of the Commissioners at Board and Committee meetings.

C. SPENCER SMITH,
*Chairman.*

Lammas Hall, Bridge Road West,
Battersea, London, S.W.
*June 7th, 1888.*

# Appendix.

## LIST OF DONORS OF MONEY.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| The Morgan Crucible Company ... ... ... | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Mrs. H. S. Thornton ... ... ... ... | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| T. W. Aldwinckle, Esq. ... ... ... ... | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| George Wyndham, Esq. ... ... ... ... | 2 | 2 | 0 |

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, &c |
|---|---|---|
| Ayris, J. R., ... ... ... ... ... ... | 14 | |
| Baillie, J. R., ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Battersea and Wandsworth Co-operative Society ... | | 1 |
| Blackwood, William and Sons, ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Blake, W. F., ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the, ... ... ... | 100 | 28 |
| Bursill, J. Francis, ... ... ... ... ... | 9 | 2 |
| Cameron, Andrew, ... ... ... ... ... | 4 | 2 |
| Clarke, J., ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, ... ... ... ... ... | 934 | |
| Dunham, L. J, ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Dyer, G. H., ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Emigrants' Information Office ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Friends, Society of, ... ... ... ... ... | 15 | |
| Gilliat, J. S., M.P., ... ... ... ... ... | 31 | |
| Gladden, H., ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Gresswell, A., ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Grover, J. W. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Hall, Rev. Newman, ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Hamilton, Rev. W., ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Hamilton, Walter, ... ... ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Harvey, A. J., ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Helby, J. T., ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Holinsworth, C. B., ... .. ... ... ... | | 6 |
| Hooper, Francis, ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |

List of Donors of Books, Pamphlets, &c. (*continued.*)

| | Vols. | Pamphlets. Newspapers. &c. |
|---|---|---|
| James, Hugh, ... ... ... ... ... ... | 9 | |
| Knight, J. C. ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Laing, S., ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Leighton, W. J., ... ... ... ... ... | 21 | |
| Ley, Mrs., ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Libraries; Reports and Catalogues have been received from the following: — Cheltenham, Doncaster, Ealing, Great Yarmouth, Hereford, Leamington, Liverpool, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Norwich, Portsmouth, Preston, Richmond (Surrey), South Shields, Twickenham, Wandsworth, Westminster. | | |
| Liverpool Free Library ... ... ... ... | 4 | |
| Luxmoore, C. M, ... ... ... ... ... | 37 | 2 |
| Magenis, C., ... ... ... ... ... ... | 11 | |
| Mann, Miss, ... ... ... ... ... .. | 6 | |
| Menzies, Mrs., ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Morgan, O. V., M.P., ... ... ... ... ... | 6 | 130 |
| Morgan, S. V., ... ... .. ... ... ... | 29 | 18 |
| Newcastle-upon-Tyne Public Library .... .... | | 1 |
| Parfitt, Capt. W. ... ... ... ... ... | 14 | |
| Phillips, G. W., ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Pitman, Isaac and Sons, ... ... ... ... | 10 | 2 |
| Smith, C. Spencer, ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| South Shields Public Library ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Sully, C., ... ... ... ... ... .... | | 1 |
| Swan, Sonnenschein and Co., ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Symons, W., ... ... ... ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Taylor, E. H., ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 6 |
| Thornton, Percy M., ... ... ... ... ... | 10 | |
| Turnbull, A. H., ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Wandsworth Public Library ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Westminster Public Library ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Webb, T. E., ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | 2 |
| Wright, Alfred, ... ... ... ... ... | 10 | |
| Young, W. W., .... .... .... .... .... | 50 | |

Mr. J. F. Bursill has also presented three framed prints of local views.

# LIST OF NEWSPAPERS & PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE LAMMAS HALL READING ROOM.

Those marked thus * are presented.

*Daily.*

Daily Chronicle
,, News
,, Telegraph
Echo (2)
Evening Standard
Globe
Pall Mall Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

*Weekly.*

Academy
Athenæum
Battersea Herald
Builder
Christian World
* Co-operative News
Engineer
Funny Folks
Graphic
* Horticultural Times
Illustrated London News
* Inquirer
Judy
Knowledge
Literary World
Lloyd's weekly Newspaper
Nature
Notes and Queries
Phonetic Journal
Punch
Saturday Review
* Scientific News
South London Press
South Western Star
Spectator
Truth
* Vegetarian
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
Weekly Dispatch
,, Times

*Monthly.*

* A 1 Magazine
All the Year Round
Atlantic Monthly
* Battersea Magazine
Blackwood's Magazine
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
* Church Reformer
Contemporary Review
* Eastern Australasian
English Illustrated Magazine
Good Words
Harper's Magazine
* Insurance and Banking
Leisure Hour
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Magazine of Art
Murray's Magazine
* Musical Budget
Nineteenth Century
Quiver
Science and Art
* Sword and Trowel
Zoophilist

*Quarterly.*

Edinburgh Review
Quarterly ,,

*Railway Time Tables*

* Great Eastern
* ,, Northern
* ,, Western
* London, Brighton, and South Coast
* Midland
* North British

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Evening Standard
Globe
Pall Mall Gazette
Standard
Star

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Builder
Christian World
* Co-operative News
Engineering
Funny Folks
Graphic
Illustrated London News
* Inquirer
Nature
* Phonetic Journal
Punch
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star

*Weekly (continued).*

Spectator
Truth
* Vegetarian
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
World
Young Folks

*Monthly.*

All the Year Round
Art Journal
* Battersea Magazine
Blackwood's Magazine
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
English Illustrated Magazine
Fortnightly Review
Good Words
Harper's Magazine
Knowledge
Leisure Hour
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Nineteenth Century
Quiver
Westminster Review

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM JUNE 8, 1887, TO MAY 29, 1888.

| Names | Meetings of the Commissioners (35). | | Committee Meetings (23). | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Present | Absent. | Present. | Absent. |
| Barnes, Howarth | 7 | 0 | 7 | 4 |
| Bursill, J. F. | 30 | 5 | 15 | 8 |
| Donaldson, C. | 26 | 9 | 1 | 15 |
| Hamilton, Rev. W. | 33 | 2 | 23 | 0 |
| James, Hugh | 34 | 1 | 10 | 6 |
| Mellor, John | 26 | 9 | 4 | 12 |
| Smith, C. Spencer | 28 | 7 | 8 | 5 |
| Thornton, Percy M. | 15 | 2 | 11 | 5 |

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I give and bequeath, out of such part of my personal estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Commissioners for Public Libraries and Museums for the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, the sum of*

*free from Legacy Duty, to be expended for the benefit of the Public Libraries of the said Parish in such manner as the Commissioners may think proper, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Commissioners shall be an effectual discharge for the same legacy.*

Donations may be intimated to the Librarian at Lammas Hall, Bridge Road West, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Commissioners.

# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES

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## SECOND

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AND MUSEUMS

FOR THE

## Parish of St. Mary, Battersea,

1888-89.

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1889.

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WISE AND FREEMAN, PRINTERS AND BOOKBINDERS.
224, BRIDGE ROAD, BATTERSEA.

## Commissioners:

Mr. HOWARTH BARNES.
Mr. J. FRANCIS BURSILL.
Mr. CHARLES DONALDSON.
Rev. WILLIAM HAMILTON.
Mr. HUGH JAMES.
Mr. JOHN MELLOR.
Mr. T. OKE SHUTTER.
Mr. G. N. STREET.
Mr. PERCY M. THORNTON.

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## Officers:

*Secretary and Librarian*—LAWRENCE INKSTER.
*Sub-Librarian*—WILLIAM BRIDLE.

*Assistants:*—WALTER MILLARD. JAMES DOUGAN.
L. A. BROWN. J. F. HOGG.

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*Caretaker*—J. S. ELLIS.

# *Second ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS, for the Parish of ST. MARY, BATTERSEA, in the County of SURREY.*

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During the past year considerable progress has been made with the development of the general scheme of the Commissioners, and the first lending library has been opened at Lammas Hall. This will be one of the permanent branches, and was opened by Mr. O. V. Morgan, M.P., on October 25th, 1888, the issue of books commencing on the 1st of November. On the 31st of May, 1889, there were 2,985 persons enrolled as borrowers, and 46,403 volumes had been issued during the seven months which had elapsed since the opening, giving a daily average of 262 volumes. Statistical tables, showing the classification of the books issued and in stock, the occupations of the borrowers, etc., will be found in the Appendix to this Report. The number of volumes in stock, which at the opening was 4654, has since been increased to 5357, the turn-over during the existence of the Library (based upon the latter number) being 8.6. The attendance at the Reading Room is as great as the accommodation will fairly allow, and averages 500 visits daily. The Latchmere Reading Room is also well attended.

The plans for the Central Library on Lavender Hill, which were under consideration at the date of the last Report, were submitted to Messrs. Hunt & Steward, of Parliament Street, Westminster, who kindly gave their services gratuitously as professional

assessors. In their report the designs submitted to them were placed in the following order, viz :—

First premium, £50, Mr. E. W. Mountford.
Second „ £25, Messrs. T. Chatfeild Clarke & Son.
Third „ £15, Mr. Rowland Plumbe.
Fourth „ £10, the late Mr. Charles Jones.

The Commissioners thereupon adopted the design of Mr. E. W. Mountford, A.R.I.B.A., of 22 Buckingham Street, Strand, and tenders having been advertised for, that of Mr. James Holloway, of Marmion Works, Lavender Hill, for the sum of £5,600, was accepted on November 1st, 1888, but it was not until the consent of the Local Government Board had been obtained to the necessary loan that the contract was sealed on February 21st, 1889. Since then building operations have proceeded without interruption, and the foundation stone was laid by Sir John Lubbock, Bart., M.P., on Thursday, May 2nd, 1889, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. A luncheon was afterwards held in the Crichton Hall, St. John's Hill, when subscriptions were received or promised to the amount of £87 2s. 6d. The building will be completed about the end of the present year, and it is hoped that it will be ready for opening early in 1890, the books being purchased and catalogued in the meantime. The lending library will contain 10,000 volumes, and the reference library about 5,000.

Plans have also been prepared by Mr. Henry Branch, of 25 Parma Crescent, Clapham Junction, for the erection of a branch library on the site which was acquired last year in Lurline Gardens, and as soon as these have been approved by the First Commissioner of H. M. Works, etc., the erection of the building will be commenced.

It has been found necessary to borrow £11,000 to meet the cost of erecting the Central Library and the Lurline Gardens branch, and to provide £2,000 for the purchase of books. The sum of £3,000 had also been previously borrowed for the purchase of the Central Library site, so that a total debt has been incurred of £14,000, on which interest will have to be paid at

the rate of three and a half per cent. per annum. The periods allowed for the repayment of the various sums borrowed are as follow :—

£3,000 to be repaid in 50 years.
£8,350 „ „ 30 „
£2,650 „ „ 10 „

The leasehold interest of the Lurline Gardens site has been purchased out of income and the freehold it is hoped will shortly be acquired in the same way. The books, furniture, and fittings, of the Lammas Hall branch have also been purchased out of the income of the past year. The interest on and repayment of the debt for the first year will amount to £1,093 6s. 8d, which will leave a balance available for the working expenses of about £1,500, an amount which appears extremely limited in view of the cost of managing three separate establishments, and maintaining the healthy growth of each library, as well as making good the wear and tear to which the books will be subjected by the heavy circulation which there is every reason to anticipate.

HUGH JAMES,
*Chairman.*

Lammas Hall, Bridge Road West,
Battersea, London, S.W.,
*May 29th, 1889.*

# APPENDIX.

## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH LIBRARY,

*Opened 25th October, 1888.*

THIS Library at its opening contained 4,654 volumes, 4,482 of which had been purchased and 172 presented. Since then 703 volumes have been added, 647 by purchase, and 56 by presentation. The cost of the 5,129 volumes purchased was £652 3s. 2d., giving an average of 2s. 6½d. per volume. The total stock on the 31st. May, 1889, amounted to 5,357 volumes, arranged in the following classes :—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| CLASS | A. | Theology and Philosophy ... ... ... | 397 |
| ,, | B. | Laws, Politics, and Sociology... ... ... | 154 |
| ,, | C. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... | 381 |
| ,, | D. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1043 |
| ,, | E. | Poetry, and the Drama ... ... ... | 225 |
| ,, | F. | Prose Fiction ... ... ... ... | 2742 |
| ,, | G. | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... ... | 415 |
| | | Total ... ... ... | 5,357 |

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of volumes in stock at opening ... ... | 4654 |
| ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1889 ... | 5357 |
| ,, ,, ,, purchased ... ... | 5129 |
| ,, ,, ,, presented ... ... | 228 |
| ,, ,, ,, issued ... ... ... | 46403 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... | 262 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... | 3045 |
| ,, ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... | 60 |
| ,, ,, Borrowers on May 31st, 1889 ... | 2985 |
| ,, ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... | 871 |
| Work replaced by new copy ... ... ... | 1 |
| Works damaged and replaced by Borrowers ... | 5 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED FROM NOVEMBER 1st, 1888, TO MAY 31st, 1889.

| Month. | Theology and Philosophy. | Laws, Politics, and Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1888. | | | | | | | | | | |
| November | 47 | 27 | 167 | 237 | 34 | 1956 | 114 | 2582 | 26 | 99 |
| December | 81 | 30 | 212 | 388 | 56 | 3873 | 156 | 4796 | 24 | 200 |
| 1889. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 120 | 69 | 298 | 532 | 82 | 5022 | 227 | 6350 | 26 | 244 |
| February | 124 | 50 | 299 | 652 | 88 | 5633 | 278 | 7124 | 24 | 297 |
| March | 157 | 68 | 336 | 814 | 123 | 6902 | 322 | 8722 | 26 | 335 |
| April | 152 | 46 | 325 | 721 | 91 | 6998 | 302 | 8635 | 24 | 360 |
| May | 122 | 52 | 262 | 601 | 86 | 6847 | 224 | 8194 | 27 | 303 |
| Totals | 803 | 342 | 1899 | 3945 | 560 | 37231 | 1623 | 46403 | 177 | 262 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE OCCUPATIONS OF BORROWERS FROM LAMMAS HALL LIBRARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Actors | 2 |
| Accountants | 9 |
| Agents, Collectors, and Commercial Travellers | 44 |
| Architects and Surveyors | 13 |
| Artists | 30 |
| Auctioneers | 3 |
| Bakers and Confectioners | 28 |
| Barristers and Solicitors | 4 |
| Booksellers, Stationers and Newsagents | 11 |
| Bootmakers | 6 |
| Builders | 20 |
| Butchers | 8 |
| Cab-Drivers | 4 |
| Caretakers | 2 |
| Carpenters and Joiners | 68 |
| Chemists | 14 |
| Clergymen and Ministers | 18 |
| Clerks | 453 |
| Civil Servants | 59 |
| Coal Merchants | 3 |
| Dairymen and Milk Vendors | 9 |
| Drapers | 41 |
| Dressmakers and Milliners | 105 |
| Dyers | 2 |
| Engine Drivers | 11 |
| Engineers | 39 |
| Fishmongers | 2 |
| Fitters and Ironmoulders | 15 |
| Grocers and Provision Merchants | 39 |
| Hairdressers | 8 |
| Hatters | 3 |
| Hay and Corn Merchants | 4 |
| Ironmongers | 5 |
| Journalists | 7 |
| Carried forward | 1089 |
| Brought forward | 1089 |
| Labourers | 45 |
| Laundresses | 4 |
| Leather Merchants | 3 |
| Librarians and Assistants | 6 |
| Licensed Victuallers | 6 |
| Manufacturers | 3 |
| Masons | 7 |
| Mechanics | 112 |
| Musicians | 22 |
| Naturalists | 2 |
| Nurses | 29 |
| Painters and Decorators | 45 |
| Physicians and Surgeons | 9 |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters | 22 |
| Police Officers | 8 |
| Porters and Messengers | 25 |
| Postmen | 10 |
| Potters | 7 |
| Printers and Compositors | 43 |
| Railway Employès | 20 |
| Saddlers | 7 |
| Salesmen | 15 |
| Scholars | 122 |
| Secretaries and Managers | 13 |
| Servants (Domestic) | 44 |
| Ship Brokers | 3 |
| Shop Assistants | 46 |
| Students | 25 |
| Tailors | 35 |
| Teachers | 235 |
| Telegraphists | 18 |
| Tobacconists | 5 |
| Waiters | 6 |
| Warehousemen | 33 |
| Watchmakers and Jewellers | 12 |
| Watermen | 3 |
| No occupation stated | 846 |
| Total | 2985 |

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*Weekly.*

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Battersea Herald
* Bedfordshire Mercury
* Boot and Shoe Trades Journal
* British Weekly
Builder
* Carpenter & Builder
* Christian World
* Commonweal
* Contract Journal
* Contractor
* Co-operative News
* Drapers' Record
* Empire (Toronto)
Engineer
English Mechanic
* Family Churchman
Field
* Freeman
Funny Folks
Graphic
Illustrated London News
* Imperial Federation
* Inquirer
Judy
* Justice
Literary World
* Local Government Chronicle
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
* Metropolitan
Nature
Notes and Queries
* Phonetic Journal
Punch
Reynolds' Newspaper
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star
Spectator
Sporting & Dramatic News
* Temperance World
Truth
* Vegetarian
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
* War Cry
Weekly Freeman
,, Scotsman
Work
World

*Monthly.*

All the Year Round
Art Journal
Atlantic Monthly
Blackwood's Magazine
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
* Church Reformer
Contemporary Review
* Deceased Seamen, Monthly Return of
* Eastern Australasian
English Illustrated Magazine
* Fireside
Fortnightly Review
Good Words
Harper's Magazine
* Home Words
* Insurance and Banking Knowledge
Leisure Hour
* Liberal Unionist
Life-Lore
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Magazine of Art
* Messiah's Kingdom
Murray's Magazine
* Musical Budget
Nineteenth Century
North American Review
Quiver
Science and Art
* Sword and Trowel
Westminster Review
* Zoophilist

*Railway Time Tables.*

* Caledonian
* Great Eastern
* ,, Northern
* ,, Western
* Highland
* London, Brighton & South Coast
* Midland
* North British
* ,, Eastern

*Quarterly.*

Edinburgh Review
Quarterly Review

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* Empire (Toronto)
Engineering
Funny Folks
Graphic
Illustrated London News
* Inquirer
* Justice
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
Nature
* Phonetic Journal
Punch
Reynolds' Newspaper
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South London Press
South Western Star
Spectator
Truth
* Vegetarian
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
* War Cry
Weekly Freeman
Weekly Scotsman
World

*Monthly.*

All the Year Round
Blackwood's Magazine
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
* Church Reformer
English Illustrated Magazine
Good Words
Harper's Magazine
* Liberal Unionist
Knowledge
Leisure Hour
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Nineteenth Century
Quiver

## LIST OF DONORS OF MONEY.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Mrs. Ashton Dilke ... ... ... ... .. | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Alexander Ritchie, Esq. ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| David Martineau, Esq. ... ... ... .. ... | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| Wm. Wilkins, Esq. ... ... ... ... ... | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| Percy M. Thornton, Esq. ... ... ... ... ... | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| J. Nevil Maskelyne, Esq. ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| J. T. Virgo, Esq.... ... ... ... ... ... | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Howarth Barnes, Esq. ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| R. W. Earl, Esq.... ... ... ... ... ... | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| H. H. Hall, Esq.... ... ... ... .. ... | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| H. Addis Price Esq. ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | 2 | 0 |
| Anonymous, per H. Montford, Esq. ... ... ... | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| Mrs. H. S. Thornton ... ... ... ... ... | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| Mrs. D. Sykes, per Percy M. Thornton, Esq... .. ... | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| J. Ewington, Esq... ... ... ... ... ... | 5 | 5 | 0 |
| T. L. Corbett, Esq. ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | 3 | 0 |
| T. Bowley, Esq. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| W. Davies, Esq. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Total ... ... | £51 | 15 | 6 |

# LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, &c. |
|---|---|---|
| A. B. | 6 | |
| Anglo-Danish Exhibition, Secretary of the | | 2 |
| Anonymous | 4 | 3 |
| Ashfield, F. T. | 3 | |
| Australian Irrigation Colonies, Chief Commissioner of the | 2 | |
| Bonner, Horace T. | 2 | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the | 1 | |
| Brown, L. A. | 1 | |
| Brown, Robert P. | 31 | |
| Bruce, Thomas | 1 | |
| Bryan, B. | 17 | 3 |
| Burge, Arthur C. | | 93 |
| Caine, W. S., M.P. | 1 | |
| Cambridge University Press, Syndics of the | 31 | |
| Cassell & Co. | 1 | |
| Church Institute, Lavender Hill, S.W. | 10 | |
| Cobden Club, Committtee of the | 11 | 96 |
| Crawshay, Mrs. R. M. | | 1 |
| Darque, Mons., Engraving of Christ Church, Battersea | | |
| Dawdry, F. | 1 | |
| Donaldson, C. Five American newspapers (April 29 & 30, 1889), containing accounts of the Centennial Celebration of Washington's Inauguration | | 5 |
| Featherstonhaugh, W. | 15 | 27 |
| Fryer, Dr. A. C. | 4 | |
| Guillaume, H., Southampton | 1 | |
| Hamilton, Rev. W., Three periodicals weekly and one monthly | | 1 |
| Hamilton, W. | | 8 |
| Harris, Augustus | | 1 |
| Harvey, Augustus J. | | 4 |
| Harvey, T. | 2 | |
| Hazell, Watson & Viney | 1 | |
| Hearn, H. | 16 | |
| Heckethorn, C. W. | 4 | |
| Henderson, George J. | 3 | |
| Hooper, Francis, A. R. I.B.A. | 1 | |
| Irish Loyal and Patriotic Union, Dublin | 4 | 33 |
| James, Hugh | 74 | 1 |
| Jepson's Mercantile Directory, and Manufacturers' Guide, Proprietors of | 1 | |
| Knight, J. C. | 5 | 6 |
| Leighton, Walter J. | 4 | 15 |
| Liberal Unionist Association | | 34 |
| Libraries, Public; Reports and Catologues have been received from the following:—Aberdeen, Barrow-in-Furness, Birkenhead, Birmingham, Blackpool, Bolton, Bootle-cum-Linacre, Bradford, Cardiff, Cheltenham, Chelsea, Clapham, Clerkenwell, Clitheroe, Doncaster, Dundee, Glasgow (Mitchell Library), (Stirling's & Glasgow), Great Yarmouth, Halifax, Hanley, Hereford, Kidderminster, Leamington, Leek (Nicholson Institute), Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, (Bodleian) Oxford, Paddington, Plymouth, Portsmouth, Preston, Richmond, Rochdale, Salford, South Shields, Stafford, Stockport, Swansea, Tonbridge, Walsall, Watford, Welshpool, West Bromwich, Westminster, Wigan, Wimbledon, Wolverhampton. | | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, &c. |
|---|---|---|
| Local Government Board ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| London, Corporation of the City of ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Lubbock, Sir John, Bart., M.P. ... ... ... ... ... | 5 | |
| Luxmoore, C. M. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 4 | |
| Marsh, J. B. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 46 | |
| Matson, Miss S. A.... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Mills, John ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Mitchell, C. & Co.... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Morgan, O. V., M.P. ... ... ... ... .. ... | 17 | 63 |
| National Temperance League ... ... ... ... ... | 16 | |
| Noel, Hon. Roden... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Paterson, J.... ... ... ... ... .. ... ... | 4 | |
| Phillips, Mandeville B. ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Poor Law Guardians, Society for promoting the return of Women as ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 4 |
| Pope Commemoration, 1888, Committee of the ... ... | | 1 |
| Proportional Representation Society ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Ransom, Alfred ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 60 | |
| Salkeld, John ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Sell, H. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Seward, Thomas ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Shutter, T. O. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 9 | |
| Skinner, W. R. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| South London Entomological and Natural History Society ... | | 1 |
| Stone, W. P. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Street, G. N. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Swedenborg Society ... ... ... ... ... ... | 120 | |
| Thornton, Percy M. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Tonge (T.) Denver, Colorado, U. S. A. ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Treasury, Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's ... ... | 229 | |
| Uruguay Consul at Southampton... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Vivisection, Society for the Abolition of... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Vivisection, Society for the protection of Animals from ... | 1 | |
| Wales, University College of ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Ward, Rear Admiral J. R. ... ... ... ... ... | 4 | |
| Webb, Thomas E.... ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Wright, Alfred ... ... ... ... ... ... .... | 14 | |

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

BY THE COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND

*for the year ended the*

## RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **A**—RECEIPTS OTHER THAN FROM LOANS:— | | | | | | |
| Amounts received from Rates ... ... | | | | 2450 | 0 | 0 |
| Donations ... ... ... ... | 2 | 1 | 0 | | | |
| Bankers' Interest ... ... ... | 2 | 5 | 7 | | | |
| Fines, Sale of Catalogues, etc. ... ... | 20 | 3 | 8 | | | |
| Waste Paper sold ... ... ... | 0 | 18 | 1 | | | |
| Miscellaneous Receipts ... ... ... | 17 | 8 | 0 | | | |
| | | | | 42 | 16 | 4 |
| | | | | 2492 | 16 | 4 |
| **B**—RECEIPTS FROM LOANS ... ... ... | | | | 3000 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Receipts ... ... | | | | 5492 | 16 | 4 |
| Balances in hand at commencement of year, as per Financial Statement to 25th March, 1888 ... ... ... ... | | | | 880 | 1 | 5 |
| TOTAL ... ... ... ... ... | | | | £6372 | 17 | 9 |

(NOTE.—*This Statement has*

# AND EXPENDITURE

MUSEUMS, FOR THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,
*25th day of March, 1889.*

## EXPENDITURE.

**A**—EXPENDITURE OTHER THAN OUT OF LOANS:—

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Interest on Loans ... ... ... | 113 | 18 | 4 | | | |
| Salaries of Officers ... ... ... | 256 | 12 | 0 | | | |
| Rent and Taxes ... ... ... ... | 129 | 9 | 4 | | | |
| Cleaning, Fuel, Lighting, &c. ... ... | 47 | 3 | 9 | | | |
| Books, Newspapers, Maps, &c.... ... | 815 | 13 | 6 | | | |
| Bookbinding and Repairing ... ... | 73 | 12 | 6 | | | |
| Stationery and Printing ... ... ... | 94 | 4 | 3 | | | |
| Fire Insurance ... ... ... ... | 0 | 16 | 0 | | | |
| Furniture, Repairs, &c. ... ... ... | 113 | 18 | 9 | | | |
| Advertising ... ... ... ... | 9 | 13 | 10 | | | |
| Purchase of Lurline Gardens Site ... | 500 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Postage, Carriage, &c. ... ... ... | 21 | 9 | 4 | | | |
| Legal and other Costs ... ... ... | 165 | 8 | 4 | | | |
| Erection of Central Library (part of cost) | 19 | 19 | 0 | | | |
| Cost of Collecting Rate... ... ... | 50 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Sundries ... ... ... ... ... | 7 | 6 | 0 | | | |
| | | | | 2419 | 4 | 11 |
| | | | | 2419 | 4 | 11 |

**B**—EXPENDITURE OUT OF LOANS:—

| | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Purchase of Central Library Site ... | | | | 3000 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Expenditure ... ... | | | | 5419 | 4 | 11 |
| Balances at end of year:— | | | | | | |
| In Treasurer's hands ... ... ... | 941 | 3 | 7 | | | |
| In hands of Secretary ... ... ... | 12 | 9 | 3 | | | |
| | | | | 953 | 12 | 10 |
| TOTAL.... .. ... ... | | | | £6372 | 17 | 9 |

*not yet been audited.*)

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM JUNE 7, 1888, TO MAY 29, 1889.

| NAMES. | MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS. | | COMMITTEE MEETINGS. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Summoned to | Attended. | Summoned to | Attended. |
| Barnes, Howarth... | 35 | 29 | 32 | 30 |
| Bursill, J. F. ..... | 35 | 23 | 41 | 18 |
| Donaldson, C. ..... | 35 | 24 | 37 | 18 |
| Hamilton, Rev. W... | 35 | 27 | 39 | 30 |
| James, Hugh ..... | 35 | 30 | 41 | 29 |
| Mellor, John..... | 35 | 23 | 32 | 8 |
| *Shutter, T. O. ..... | 34 | 21 | 36 | 17 |
| *Street, G. N. ..... | 34 | 31 | 43 | 27 |
| †Thornton, Percy M. | 35 | 13 | 37 | 8 |

* Appointed June 13th, 1888.

† Mr. Thornton's attendance was interrupted by a long illness.

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I give and bequeath, out of such part of my personal estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Commissioners for Public Libraries and Museums for the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, the sum of*

*free from Legacy Duty, to be expended for the benefit of the Public Libraries of the said Parish in such manner as the Commissioners may think proper, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Commissioners shall be an effectual discharge for the same legacy.*

Donations may be intimated to the Librarian at Lammas Hall, Bridge Road West, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Commissioners.

# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES

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## THIRD

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

AND MUSEUMS

FOR THE

## Parish of St. Mary, Battersea,

1889-90.

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LONDON:
WISE & FREEMAN, PRINTERS, 224, BRIDGE ROAD, BATTERSEA.
1890.

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WISE AND FREEMAN, PRINTERS AND PUBLISHERS,
224, BRIDGE ROAD, BATTERSEA.

## Commissioners:

Mr. HOWARTH BARNES.
Mr. J. FRANCIS BURSILL.
Mr. CHARLES DONALDSON.
Mr. HENRY GITSHAM.
Rev. WILLIAM HAMILTON.
Mr. HUGH JAMES.
Mr. JOHN MELLOR.
Mr. T. OKE SHUTTER.
Mr. PERCY M. THORNTON.

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## Officers:

*Secretary and Librarian*—Lawrence Inkster.

*Sub-Librarian*—William Bridle.

*Assistants*—Walter Millard, James Dougan, J. F. Hogg, P. C. Bursill, C. Colman, F. A. Jones, J. A. Hughes, Rachel Norcutt, Florence North, Edith Wilkins.

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*Messenger*—Jerome Moon.

# *Third ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS, for the Parish of St. MARY, BATTERSEA, in the County of SURREY.*

In presenting their third annual report, the Commissioners have much pleasure in announcing that the past year has been most encouraging in every respect. Within that period the Central Library has been completed and opened, the erection of the Lurline Gardens Branch has been commenced and the freehold of the site purchased, and the useful work carried on at the Lammas Hall Branch, has increased beyond all expectations.

The Central Library was opened on Wednesday, March 26th, 1890, by the Right Honourable A. J. Mundella, M.P., and a public meeting was held in the evening of the same day at the Battersea Public Baths, at which the principal speaker was the Right Honourable the Earl of Rosebery. The issue of books commenced on March 27th, and by the 31st of May, no less than 4,754 borrowers had been enrolled, of whom 1,238 were transferred from the Lammas Hall Branch. During this period 28,293 volumes were issued in the Lending Department and 3,059 in the Reference Department, averaging together 580 volumes daily. The stock of books at the opening consisted of 10,115 volumes in the Lending and 6,435 in the Reference Department.

It is very gratifying to the Commissioners to find that the new building, both in its appearance and its accommodation, gives

general satisfaction to the public, and they take this opportunity of expressing their cordial recognition of the skill and ability of the Architect, Mr. E. W. Mountford. Equal credit is due to the Builder, the late Mr. James Holloway, who unfortunately died before the completion of his contract, and to his Executors, who succeeded in finishing the building in time for the Commissioners to fulfil their promise that it should be opened in March of this year.

The plans for the Lurline Gardens Branch having received the approval of the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, and an agreement having been entered into for the purchase of the freehold of the site from the Crown, tenders for the erection of the building were advertised for, and that of Messrs. Olver & Richardson for the sum of £1,641 was accepted on October 17th, 1889. A difficulty having arisen, however, as to the exact line of frontage, that question had to be referred to the London County Council for settlement, and building operations did not commence until January, 1890. Since that date the work has proceeded satisfactorily, and the building it is hoped will be finished in July or August next. The purchase of the freehold from the First Commissioner of Works, for £429, was completed on January 8th, 1890.

The Lammas Hall Branch has been used to its fullest capacity during the year both by readers and borrowers, 4,559 of the latter having been enrolled since it was opened in October, 1888. Of these a large number have recently been transferred to the Central Library, but 3,321 still remain on the books at Lammas Hall, and the daily average issue is at present over 200 volumes. Since the date of the last Report 89,473 volumes have been issued, averaging 313 daily. Notwithstanding this large circulation, great care is taken of the books, and at the last annual stocktaking, the Librarian was able to report that not a single volume had been lost.

The Commissioners feel that this Report would be incomplete if they did not acknowledge the admirable manner in which the Librarian, Mr. Lawrence Inkster, has discharged his laborious duties during the establishing of the Central Library.

A list of the Donors who have contributed money or books during the past year, the annual financial statement, and the usual statistical tables will be found in the Appendix to this Report.

WILLIAM HAMILTON,
*Chairman.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W.
*29th May, 1890.*

# APPENDIX.

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL,

*Opened 26th March, 1890.*

AT the date of opening this Library contained in the Lending Department 10,115 volumes, which have since been increased to 10,252 volumes, classified as follows :—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| CLASS A. | Religion and Philosophy ... ... ... | | 669 |
| ,, B. | Sociology ... ... ... ... ... | | 230 |
| ,, C. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... | | 805 |
| ,, D. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | | 2741 |
| ,, E. | Poetry and the Drama ... ... ... | | 348 |
| ,, F. | Prose Fiction ... ... ... ... | | 4376 |
| ,, G. | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... ... | | 1083 |
| | Total ... ... ... | | 10252 |

The number of volumes in the Reference Department at the opening was 6,435, and is now 7,046, in all classes of literature.

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of volumes in Reference Library at opening ... | 6435 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1890 ... ... ... ... ... ... | 7046 |
| ,, ,, issued ... ... ... ... | 3059 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 56 |
| Number of volumes in Lending Library at opening ... | 10115 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1890 ... ... ... ... ... ... | 10252 |
| ,, ,, issued ... ... ... ... | 28293 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 524 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 4754 |
| ,, ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 30 |
| ,, ,, Borrowers on May 31st, 1890 ... ... | 4724 |
| ,, ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 208 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, FROM MARCH 26th, TO MAY 31st, 1890.

| MONTH. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography, and Geography. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1890. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 27-31 | 17 | 28 | 54 | 88 | 28 | 31 | 165 | 411 | 4 | 103 |
| April | 79 | 74 | 200 | 300 | 16 | 267 | 584 | 1520 | 24 | 63 |
| May | 85 | 18 | 156 | 222 | 14 | 294 | 339 | 1128 | 26 | 43 |
| TOTALS. | 181 | 120 | 410 | 610 | 58 | 592 | 1088 | 3059 | 54 | 56 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH TO MAY 31st, 1890.

| MONTH. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1890. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 27-31 | 6 | 5 | 35 | 59 | 5 | 525 | 13 | 648 | 4 | 162 |
| April | 172 | 60 | 629 | 1041 | 93 | 9442 | 340 | 11777 | 24 | 490 |
| May | 232 | 68 | 685 | 1361 | 139 | 12882 | 501 | 15868 | 26 | 610 |
| TOTALS. | 410 | 133 | 1349 | 2461 | 237 | 22849 | 854 | 28293 | 54 | 524 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE OCCUPATIONS OF BORROWERS FROM THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Accountants ... ... ... | 55 |
| Agents, Collectors, Commercial Travellers, &c. ... | 79 |
| Apprentices ... ... .. | 33 |
| Architects and Surveyors ... | 33 |
| Artists and Photographers ... | 34 |
| Auctioneers ... ... ... | 2 |
| Bakers and Confectioners ... | 19 |
| Bankers ... ... ... | 3 |
| Barristers and Solicitors ... | 7 |
| Blacksmiths ... ... ... | 5 |
| Bookbinders ... .. | 5 |
| Booksellers, Stationers, and Newsagents ... ... | 21 |
| Bootmakers ... ... ... | 13 |
| Builders ... ... ... | 19 |
| Butchers ... ... ... | 5 |
| Bicycle Maker ... ... | 1 |
| Caretakers and Messengers... | 31 |
| Carpenters and Joiners ... | 67 |
| Chemists ... ... ... | 19 |
| China Dealers ... ... | 2 |
| Civil Servants ... ... | 82 |
| Clergymen and Ministers ... | 10 |
| Clerks ... ... ... | 743 |
| Coach Builders ... ... | 3 |
| Coal Merchants ... ... | 4 |
| Cooper ... ... ... | 1 |
| Dairymen and Milkvendors | 5 |
| Diamond Cutters ... ... | 3 |
| District Visitors ... ... | 2 |
| Drapers, &c.... ... ... | 37 |
| Dressmakers and Milliners... | 124 |
| Dyers... ... ... ... | 3 |
| Editors ... ... ... | 3 |
| Embroideresses ... ... | 13 |
| Engine Drivers ... ... | 3 |
| Engineers ... ... ... | 82 |
| Engravers ... ... ... | 13 |
| Fitters and Iron Moulders ... | 4 |
| Florists ... ... ... | 3 |
| Foremen ... ... ... | 14 |
| Greengrocers .. ... | 2 |
| Grocers and Provision Merchants ... ... ... | 30 |
| Carried forward ... | 1637 |
| Brought forward ... | 1637 |
| Hairdressers... ... ... | 4 |
| Hatter ... .. ... | 1 |
| Hay and Corn Merchants ... | 5 |
| Inspectors ... ... ... | 7 |
| Ironmongers ... ... | 5 |
| Journalists ... ... ... | 19 |
| Labourers ... ... ... | 16 |
| Laundresses ... ... ... | 3 |
| Librarians and Assistants ... | 12 |
| Licensed Victuallers ... | 8 |
| Manufacturers ... ... | 7 |
| Masons ... ... ... | 10 |
| Mechanics ... ... ... | 18 |
| Musicians ... ... ... | 46 |
| Nurses ... ... ... | 22 |
| Optician ... ... ... | 1 |
| Painters and Decorators ... | 26 |
| Physicians and Surgeons ... | 17 |
| Pianoforte Makers ... ... | 14 |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters ... | 25 |
| Police Officers ... .. | 8 |
| Post Office Employés ... | 17 |
| Printers and Compositors ... | 47 |
| Publishers ... ... ... | 5 |
| Railway Employés ... ... | 23 |
| Saddlers ... ... ... | 6 |
| Salesmen ... ... ... | 16 |
| Scholars ... ... ... | 116 |
| Sculptor ... ... ... | 1 |
| Secretaries and Managers ... | 26 |
| Servants (Domestic) ... | 61 |
| Shop Assistants ... ... | 85 |
| Students ... ... ... | 49 |
| Tailors and Outfitters ... | 29 |
| Teachers ... ... ... | 327 |
| Telegraphists ... ... | 23 |
| Timekeepers... ... ... | 4 |
| Tobacconists... ... ... | 11 |
| Waiter ... ... ... | 1 |
| Warehousemen ... ... | 60 |
| Watchmakers and Jewellers | 12 |
| No Occupation stated ... | 1894 |
| Total ... | 4724 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of volumes in stock on June 1st, 1889 ... ... | 5357 |
| ,, ,, added, 1889–90 ... ... ... | 186 |
| ,, ,, in stock on May 31st, 1890 ... | 5543 |
| ,, ,, issued, 1889–90 ... ... ... | 89473 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 313 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since June 1st, 1889 ... | 1514 |
| ,, ,, ,, opening ... ... | 4559 |
| ,, volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 1162 |
| Works replaced by new copies ... ... ... ... | 5 |
| Works damaged and replaced by Borrowers ... ... | 16 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL ON MAY 31ST, 1890.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... ... | 402 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... ... | 156 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... | 473 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels | 1081 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... ... | 225 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction .. ... . . ... ... | 2787 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... ... | 419 |
| | Total ... | 5543 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED FROM JUNE 1st, 1889, TO MAY 31st, 1890.

| Month. | Theology and Philosophy. | Law, Politics, and Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1889. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 80 | 21 | 163 | 357 | 48 | 4808 | 134 | 5611 | 23 | 244 |
| July | 35 | 11 | 80 | 154 | 27 | 2439 | 61 | 2807 | 9 | 312 |
| August | 84 | 27 | 199 | 449 | 80 | 6778 | 188 | 7805 | 26 | 300 |
| September | 114 | 32 | 331 | 517 | 71 | 6933 | 200 | 8198 | 25 | 328 |
| October | 113 | 39 | 392 | 619 | 106 | 7803 | 237 | 9309 | 27 | 344 |
| November | 150 | 58 | 399 | 644 | 119 | 7853 | 272 | 9495 | 26 | 365 |
| December | 109 | 42 | 350 | 567 | 96 | 7025 | 234 | 8423 | 24 | 351 |
| 1890. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 121 | 47 | 365 | 662 | 105 | 7895 | 235 | 9430 | 26 | 362 |
| February | 109 | 67 | 326 | 655 | 94 | 7275 | 185 | 8711 | 24 | 362 |
| March | 107 | 40 | 311 | 530 | 83 | 7000 | 198 | 8269 | 25 | 330 |
| April | 55 | 18 | 205 | 310 | 44 | 5163 | 133 | 5928 | 24 | 247 |
| May | 57 | 13 | 171 | 271 | 24 | 4860 | 91 | 5487 | 26 | 211 |
| | 1134 | 415 | 3292 | 5735 | 897 | 75832 | 2168 | 89473 | 285 | 313 |

## LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

### DAILY.

Daily Chronicle
Daily Graphic
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
* Glasgow Herald
Globe
Journal des Débats
Morning Post
Neue Freie Presse (Vienna)
Pall Mall Gazette
St. James's Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

### WEEKLY.

Academy
* Alliance News
Athenæum
Battersea Herald
* Boot and Shoe Trades' Journal
* British Weekly
Builder
* Builder's Weekly Reporter
Building News
Christian World
* Church Bells
* Church Review
* Church Times
* Co-operative News
* County Council Gazette
Dispatch
* Drapers' Record
* Electrical Engineer
* Electrician
* Empire (Toronto)
Engineer
Engineering
English Mechanic
Era
* Family Churchman
* Feathered World
Field
* Freeman
Fun
* Gas World
Graphic
* Horticultural Times
* Illustrated Carpenter and Builder
Illustrated London News
Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News
Illustrirte Zeitung
* Imperial Federation
* Inquirer
Judy
* Kensington Society
Kolnische Zeitung
Lady
Lady's Pictorial
Land and Water
* Liberal Unionist
Literary World
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
* Local Government Chronicle
* Metropolitan
* Methodist Times
Nature
Notes and Queries
* Periodico de Comercio Español
* Phonetic Journal
Punch
* Railway Review
* Refreshment News
Reynolds's Newspaper
Saturday Review
* Schoolmistress
* Snacks
South London Press
* South London Record
South Western Star
Speaker
* Temperance World
Truth
* Vegetarian
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
* War Cry
Weekly Freeman
Weekly Scotsman
Work
World

## FORTNIGHTLY.

Revue des deux mondes.

## MONTHLY.

All the Year Round
* Animal World
Antiquary
Argosy
Art Journal
Atlantic Monthly
Blackwood's Magazine
* British Australasian
Cassell's Magazine
Century Magazine
Chambers's Journal
* Church Reformer
* Commercial World
Contemporary Review
Cornhill Magazine
* Day of Days
* Educational Times
* Electrical Plant
English Illustrated Magazine
* Fireside
Fortnightly Review
* Girl's Own Gazette
Girl's Own Paper
Good Words
* Hand and Heart
Harper's Magazine
* Home Words
* Illustrated Official Journal (Patents)
Knowledge
Leisure Hour
* Liberal Unionist
* Liberator
* Lippincott's Magazine
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Magasin Pittoresque
Magazine of Art
* Messiah's Kingdom
* Mother's Treasury
Murray's Magazine
* Musical Budget
* Musical Herald
Musical Times
Myra's Journal
* National Church
National Review
* New Church Magazine
New Review
Nineteenth Century
North American Review
* Practical Photographer
* Protestant Observer
* Public Health
Quiver
Review of Reviews
Scribner's Magazine
* Sword and Trowel
Temple Bar
* United Service Magazine
Universal Review
Westminster Review
* Women's Suffrage Journal
* World's Provider
* Zoophilist

## RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

Bradshaw's Guide
* Caledonian
* Cunard Steam Ship Co.
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* General Steam Navigation Co.
* Glasgow and South Western
* Great Eastern
* Great North of Scotland
* Great Northern
* Great Southern and Western (Ireland)
* Great Western
* London and North Western
* London, Brighton, and South Coast
* London, Chatham, and Dover
* Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire
* Midland
* North Eastern
* South Eastern

## QUARTERLY.

Edinburgh Review | Quarterly Review

* Subjects of the Day

# LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE LAMMAS HALL READING ROOM.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

## DAILY.

Daily Chronicle
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
Globe
Pall Mall Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

## WEEKLY.

Battersea Herald
* Bedfordshire Mercury
Builder
* Christian World
* Clerks of Works' Journal
* Contract Journal
* Contractor
* Co-operative News
* Drapers' Record
* Empire (Toronto)
English Mechanic
Field
Funny Folks
Graphic
Illustrated London News
* Inquirer
Judy
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
Nature
* Phonetic Journal
Punch
Reynolds's Newspaper
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star
Spectator
Truth
* Vegetarian
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
* War Cry
Weekly Freeman
Weekly Scotsman
Work
World

## MONTHLY.

All the Year Round
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
* Church Reformer
Contemporary Review
English Illustrated Magazine
Good Words
* Imperial Federation
* Insurance and Banking
Leisure Hour
* Liberal Unionist
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
* National Church
Nineteenth Century
* Protestant Observer
Quiver
* Son of Temperance
* Women's Suffrage Journal
* Zoophilist

## RAILWAY TIME TABLES.

* Caledonian
* Glasgow & South Western
* Great Eastern
* Great Northern
* Great Western
* Highland
* London & North Western
* London, Brighton & South Coast
* Midland
* North British
* North Eastern

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| Beynon & Co., Cheltenham, 3 portraits ... ... ... ... | | |
| Books collected at a Soirée, held at the Crichton Hall, Battersea, and presented to the Library, through Mr. J. F. Bursill | 165 | |
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| Britannia Co., Colchester ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
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| Burns, John, L.C.C. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Bursill, J. F. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 131 | |
| (and zinco printing block) ... ... ... ... | | |
| Butler, Samuel ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
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| Christopher, C. ... .. ... ... ... ... ... | 27 | |
| Commissioners of Police for the Metropolis. Table of distances from Cabstand at Clapham Junction. ... ... ... ... | | |
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| Crosby, Lockwood & Co. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Doncaster, R. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 19 | |
| Dougal, F. H. & Co. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
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| Findlay, Hugh ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 20 | |
| Fryer, Dr. A. C. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
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| George, W. H. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Gitsham, H., 2 views. ... ... ... ... ... ... | | |
| Grant, John... ... ... ... .. ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Hammersmith Vestry ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Harvard University, U.S.A. ... ... ... ... ... | 5 | |
| Harvey, A. J. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 8 |
| Heywood, John ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Hudson, Professor ... ... .. ... ... ... ... | 15 | |
| India, Secretary of State for ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Irish Loyal and Patriotic Union ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| James, Hugh ... .. ... ... ... ... ... | 78 | |
| Jones, T. E. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| King, Edward ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 4 | |
| Knight, John ... ... ... ... ... .. ... | 2 | |
| Knighton, William ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers &c. |
|---|---|---|
| Libraries, Public; Reports and Catalogues have been received from the following :—Aberdeen, Airdrie, Aston Manor, Belfast, Birmingham, Birkenhead, Blackburn, Bolton, Bootle-cum-Linacre, Bradford, Cambridge, Cardiff, Cheltenham, Chester, Croydon, Derby, Doncaster, Ealing, Fleetwood, Folkestone, Glasgow, (Stirling's and Glasgow), Great Yarmouth, Halifax, Handsworth, Hanley, Hereford, Kidderminster, Leamington, Leicester, Liverpool. London :— Clapham, Clerkenwell, Guildhall, Kensington, Paddington. Manchester, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Northwich, Nottingham, Oxford (Bodleian), Plymouth, Portsmouth, Rotherham, Runcorn, St. Helen's, Salford, Sheffield, Smethwick, South Shields, Southampton, Southport, Stafford, Swansea, Twickenham, Tynemouth, Walsall, Watford, Wednesbury, West Bromwich, Whitehaven, Widnes, Wigan, Wimbledon, Wolverhampton. | | |
| London County Council ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| London School Board ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| London Vegetarian Society ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Magenis, C.... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Matheson & Grant ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Mills, John ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Mitchell, C. & Co. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Morgan, O.V., M.P. (and Parliamentary Bills as published) ... | 3 | 59 |
| Morrison, Mrs. Frank ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Mountford, E. W., drawing of Battersea Central Library ... | | |
| New South Wales, Agent General for. View of Sydney, and | | 4 |
| Ormes, T. F., 2 Maps ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 2 |
| Patmore, Coventry ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Payne, Wyndham ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 30 | |
| Pearce, J. W. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Perken, Son & Rayment ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Pitman & Sons ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 9 | |
| Pohlmann, Mrs. ... ... ... ... ... ... .. | 26 | |
| Price, R. M. .. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Rawlinson, Sir Robert ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Read, Dr. Mabyn ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 22 | |
| St. Mary's Hospital, Committee of Medical School ... ... | 1 | |
| Smith, George ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Smith, J. H. ... ... ... ... .. ... ... | 1 | |
| Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A. ... ... ... | 19 | |
| Stock, Elliot ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Swedenborg Society ... ... ... ... ... ... | 15 | |
| Taylor, J. Hudson ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Taylor, V. A. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| United Kingdom Alliance... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Victoria Street Society for the Protection of Animals from Vivisection ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Waddie, John ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Walker, R. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 17 | |
| Washington, U.S.A., Commission of Education ... ... | 2 | 14 |
| Webb, T. E. ... .. ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Webber, Mrs., 30 Prints and ... ... ... ... ... | 70 | |
| Whitehead, Alderman Sir James ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Wilson, A. E. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 7 | |
| Woodhull, Z. M. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Women's Suffrage, National Society for ... ... ... ... | | 4 |

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM 6TH JUNE, 1889 TO 15TH MAY, 1890.

| NAMES. | MEETINGS OF THE COMMISSIONERS. | | COMMITTEE MEETINGS. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Summoned to | Attended. | Summoned to | Attended |
| Barnes, Howarth ... | 33 | 30 | 6 | 4 |
| Bursill, J. F. ..... | 32 | 22 | 6 | 2 |
| Donaldson, C. ..... | 32 | 20 | 5 | 2 |
| Gitsham, H..... | 31 | 24 | 4 | 4 |
| Hamilton, Rev. W... | 33 | 29 | 19 | 17 |
| James, Hugh..... | 33 | 28 | 12 | 9 |
| Mellor, John ..... | 33 | 21 | 6 | 2 |
| Shutter, T. O. ..... | 33 | 21 | 18 | 13 |
| Thornton, Percy M. | 33 | 13 | 6 | 1 |

NOTE :—Messrs. James, Mellor, Shutter and Thornton, have been prevented by illness from attending several meetings.

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

BY THE COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND

*for the year ended the*

## RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **A**—RECEIPTS OTHER THAN FROM LOANS :— | | | | | | |
| Amounts received from Rates ... | | | | 2650 | 0 | 0 |
| Donations ... ... ... ... | 50 | 13 | 9 | | | |
| Bankers' Interest ... ... ... | 107 | 16 | 9 | | | |
| Fines, Sale of Catalogues, &c. ... | 67 | 18 | 6 | | | |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... | 1 | 12 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | 228 | 1 | 1 |
| | | | | 2878 | 1 | 1 |
| **B**—RECEIPTS FROM LOANS ... ... | | | | 11000 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Receipts ... ... | | | | 13878 | 1 | 1 |
| Balances in hand at commencement of year, as per Financial Statement to 25th March, 1889 ... ... ... ... | | | | 953 | 12 | 10 |
| | | | | £14,831 | 13 | 11 |

(NOTE.—*This Statement has*

# AND EXPENDITURE

MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

*25th day of March, 1890.*

## EXPENDITURE.

**A**—EXPENDITURE OTHER THAN OUT OF LOANS—

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Interest on Loans ... ... ... | | | | 344 | 8 | 11 |
| Repayment of Principal of Loans ... | | | | 603 | 6 | 8 |
| Salaries of Officers ... ... ... | | | | 357 | 15 | 8 |
| Rent and Taxes ... ... ... | | | | 182 | 10 | 1 |
| Cleaning, Fuel, Lighting, &c. ... ... | | | | 90 | 5 | 3 |
| Books, Newspapers, Maps, &c. ... | | | | 260 | 13 | 4 |
| Bookbinding and Repairing ... ... | | | | 224 | 10 | 11 |
| Stationery and Printing ... ... | | | | 121 | 17 | 5 |
| Advertising ... ... ... ... | | | | 8 | 8 | 1 |
| Purchase of Freehold of Lurline Gardens Site ... ... ... ... ... | | | | 429 | 0 | 0 |
| Cost of Collecting Rate ... ... | | | | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| Furniture, Repairs, &c. ... ... | | | | 65 | 14 | 3 |
| Legal and other Costs ... ... ... | | | | 34 | 17 | 6 |
| Postage, Carriage, &c. ... ... ... | | | | 28 | 5 | 11 |
| Insurance ... ... ... ... | | | | 3 | 6 | 6 |
| Sundries ... ... ... ... | | | | 13 | 8 | 7 |
| | | | | 2818 | 9 | 1 |

**B**—EXPENDITURE OUT OF LOANS:—

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Erection of Central Library, part of cost | 5939 | 1 | 9 | | | |
| Purchase of Books ... ... ... | 1989 | 17 | 2 | | | |
| | | | | 7928 | 18 | 11 |
| Total Expenditure ... ... | | | | 10747 | 8 | 0 |

Balances at end of year:—

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| In Treasurer's hands ... ... ... | 4073 | 8 | 3 | | | |
| In hands of Secretary ... ... | 10 | 17 | 8 | | | |
| | | | | 4084 | 5 | 11 |
| | | | | £14831 | 13 | 11 |

*not yet been audited).*

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I give and bequeath, out of such part of my personal estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Commissioners for Public Libraries and Museums for the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of Surrey, the sum of*

*free from Legacy Duty, to be expended for the benefit of the Public Libraries of the said Parish in such manner as the Commissioners may think proper, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Commissioners shall be an effectual discharge for the same legacy.*

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Donations may be intimated to the Librarian at the Central Library, Lavender Hill, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Commissioners.

# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES

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## FOURTH

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

AND MUSEUMS

FOR THE

## Parish of St. Mary, Battersea.

1890-91.

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LONDON:
ASHFIELD & YOUNG, PRINTERS, BRIDGE ROAD WEST, BATTERSEA.
1891.

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## Commissioners.

| 1890-91. | 1891-92. |
|---|---|
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| Mr. EDWARD WOOD, J.P. | Mr. EDWARD WOOD, J.P. |

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*Sub-Librarian*—WILLIAM BRIDLE.

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*Messenger*—Jerome Moon.

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*Assistant-in-Charge*—James L. Dougan.

*Assistant*—Philip C. Bursill.

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### LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Assistant-in-Charge*—John F. Hogg.

*Assistant*—Thomas Cope.

*Fourth ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS for the Parish of St. MARY, BATTERSEA in the administrative County of LONDON.*

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During the twelve months covered by this Report (June 1st, 1890, to May 31st, 1891), the third Library projected in the original scheme of the Commissioners has been completed and opened to the public, and, the whole of the establishments being now in full working order, it is possible to study the results of their operations up to the present time, and to form some idea of their possibilities in the future. When the figures which are given in the Appendix to this Report are examined, the Commissioners feel that they have every reason for congratulating the Parishioners upon the undoubted success of the libraries and the extensive use which is made of them by all classes of the inhabitants.

There are now 13,367 registered borrowers, of whom 8,745 are enrolled at the Central Library, 3,467 at Lammas Hall, and 1,155 at Lurline Gardens.

The numbers of volumes in stock are, at the Central Library, 11,080 in the Lending, and 7,521 in the Reference Department; 5,574 at Lammas Hall, and 4,565 at Lurline Gardens.

During the year 210,737 volumes have been issued at the Central Library, 192,766 in the Lending and 17,971 in the Reference Department; 45,701 at Lammas Hall, and at Lurline Gardens 25,725 have been issued since October 1st, 1890.

The great success which has attended the Central Library since its opening is sufficiently attested by the figures just

quoted, but as evidence of the exceptional amount of work which is being done in the Lending Department, it may be pointed out that the average number of times each book has been issued during the year, has been 17.4; in other words more than equal to a monthly turnover of the entire stock of books.

The Branch Library in Lurline Gardens, which was in course of erection at the date of the last Report, was opened on Tuesday, September 30th, 1890, by Mr. J. S. Gilliat, M.P., who kindly took the place at short notice of the Rt. Hon. D. R. Plunket, M.P., First Commissioner of Works, who was prevented by illness from performing the ceremony. Mr. Percy M. Thornton presided, and interesting addresses were also delivered by Mr. E. Maunde Thompson, Principal Librarian of the British Museum, Mr. I. S. Leadam and Mr. Guy Pym.

Gratifying as the success of the Libraries has been, the Commissioners still feel that much more might be done if the means at their disposal were not so restricted. The charges for interest upon, and repayment of, the loans absorb such a large portion of the annual produce of the Library Rate that the balance is quite insufficient to cover the working expenses of the three libraries, and to purchase and keep in proper repair the additional books which are required every year to keep pace with the rapid increase of readers. In these circumstances the Commissioners thought it right to bring the matter to the notice of the Vestry, and that body promptly and generously recognized the good work which the libraries are doing, and their claims upon the good will of the parishioners, by sanctioning, on March 25th, 1891, the appropriation of the sum of £2,500, realized by the sale of parish lands, for the purpose of reducing the debt which at present hampers the operations of the Commissioners. It only remains for the Local Government Board to consent to this arrangement, and the available sum for the purchase of books will be at once increased to the extent of some £350 per annum.

In response to a public demand the Commissioners determined on August 21st, 1890, to open the Reference

Library and the Central and Branch Reading Rooms on Sundays from 3 to 9 p.m., and this change, which came into operation on October 5th, 1890, has been much appreciated by the public, who have freely availed themselves of the additional opportunities for reading and study thus provided. The average issue of books in the Reference Library on Sundays, when it is open six hours, has been 40, as compared with 54 on week-days, when it is open twelve hours.

Since the 2nd of October, 1890, the Lending Libraries have been closed on Thursday afternoons at one o'clock. By this arrangement, the whole of the staff take their weekly holiday at one time, and are therefore on duty all other week-days, thus greatly increasing the distributing power of the libraries, while slightly curtailing the number of open hours. The Lending Libraries are now open 58 hours per week, the Reference Library 78 hours, and the Reading Rooms 90 hours.

The question of the rating of Public Libraries was brought before the Commissioners in April, 1890, by the assessment of the Central Library at an annual value of £350 gross, with a rateable value of £292. As it was considered desirable that such Libraries, with their strictly limited incomes, chiefly derived from the rates, and constantly increasing expenditure, should be relieved as far as possible from the pressure of these public burdens, the Commissioners invited representatives from the various Library Boards in the Wandsworth and Clapham Union to a Conference which was held at the Central Library on April 16th, with Mr. Henry Gitsham in the Chair, for the purpose of ascertaining whether these Institutions could legally claim exemption, and to determine, if possible, upon some united action. From the information supplied by the gentlemen who attended this meeting it appeared that considerable diversity of practice prevailed in the different parishes of the Union, and it was agreed that the possibility of obtaining legal exemption from the payment of rates was not supported by the statutes at present in force. As a result of the meeting, however, an appeal was made to the Assessment Committee, who on June 17th reduced the

valuation of the Central Library to £250 gross and £208 rateable. When the Lurline Gardens Branch was opened the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish, adopting the basis upon which the Assessment Committee had acted, fixed the assessment of that building at £76 gross and £64 rateable value.

By the invitation of the Commissioners the Library Association of the United Kingdom visited the Central Library on December 8th, 1890, and the Members present expressed general approval of the new building and its arrangements. The monthly meeting of the Association was held in the Reference Library, Mr. H. R. Tedder, Treasurer, in the chair, when the Librarian, Mr. Inkster, read a paper on the history and working of the Public Libraries of Battersea.

On March 14th, 1891, a Conference was held at Prince's Hall, Piccadilly, under the auspices of the Sunday Society, of representatives from Public Libraries, Museums, etc, which are open on Sundays. Professor G. J. Romanes, President of the Sunday Society, occupied the chair, and the Battersea Libraries were represented by Mr. Henry Gitsham, Mr. Hugh James, and the Librarian.

A list of the Donors who have contributed books during the past year, to whom the Commissioners return their best thanks, the annual financial statement, and the usual statistical tables will be found in the Appendix to this Report.

T. O. SHUTTER,
*Chairman.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W.
*June* 1*st*, 1891.

# APPENDIX.

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL,

*Opened March 26th*, 1890.

## SUMMARY.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1890, .. .. | 7046 |
| ,, ,, added 1890-91 .. .. .. | 475 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1891 .. .. | 7521 |
| ,, ,, issued 1890-91 .. .. .. | 17971 |
| Daily average .. .. .. .. .. | 53 |

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1890 .. .. | 10252 |
| ,, ,, added 1890-91 .. .. .. | 828 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1891 .. .. | 11080 |
| ,, ,, issued 1890-91 .. .. .. | 192766 |
| Daily average .. .. .. .. .. | 632 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening .. .. | 8938 |
| ,, ,, ,, from June 1st, 1890, to May 31st, 1891 | 4184 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled .. .. .. .. | 193 |
| ,, Borrowers on May 31st, 1891 . .. .. | 8745 |
| Number of volumes bound, Lending and Reference Departments .. | 1529 |
| ,, ,, lost and replaced by borrowers .. .. | 20 |

CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE CENTRAL LIBRARY LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1890-91.

| | | 1890. | Additions. | 1891 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| CLASS A. | Religion and Philosophy .. .. | 669 .. | 38 .. | 707 |
| ,, B. | Sociology .. .. .. .. | 230 .. | 70 .. | 300 |
| ,, C. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History .. | 805 .. | 142 .. | 947 |
| ,, D. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels | 2741 .. | 285 .. | 3026 |
| ,, E. | Poetry and the Drama .. .. .. | 348 .. | 30 .. | 378 |
| ,, F. | Prose Fiction .. .. .. .. | 4376 .. | 146 .. | 4522 |
| ,, G. | Miscellaneous Literature .. .. | 1083 .. | 117 .. | 1200 |
| | Totals .. .. | 10252 | 828 | 11080 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1890, TO MAY 31ST, 1891.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography, and Geography. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopedias, Dictionaries, etc. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1890. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 57 | 23 | 146 | 221 | 18 | 252 | 349 | 1066 | 25 | 42 |
| July | 27 | 20 | 78 | 440 | 24 | 235 | 423 | 1247 | 27 | 46 |
| August | 63 | 6 | 146 | 353 | 35 | 271 | 605 | 1479 | 25 | 59 |
| September | 62 | 20 | 175 | 481 | 75 | 283 | 661 | 1757 | 26 | 67 |
| October | 62 | 20 | 167 | 436 | 70 | 263 | 583 | 1601 | 31 | 52 |
| November | 38 | 34 | 203 | 370 | 46 | 268 | 684 | 1643 | 30 | 55 |
| December | 56 | 42 | 166 | 278 | 16 | 220 | 511 | 1289 | 29 | 44 |
| 1891. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 67 | 66 | 185 | 287 | 24 | 234 | 581 | 1444 | 30 | 48 |
| February | 79 | 84 | 377 | 292 | 43 | 281 | 656 | 1812 | 28 | 65 |
| March | 65 | 74 | 321 | 353 | 76 | 252 | 511 | 1652 | 29 | 57 |
| April | 84 | 31 | 370 | 332 | 34 | 313 | 527 | 1691 | 30 | 56 |
| May | 60 | 42 | 208 | 305 | 78 | 243 | 354 | 1290 | 30 | 43 |
| Totals. | 720 | 462 | 2542 | 4148 | 539 | 3115 | 6445 | 17971 | 340 | 53 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARY ON SUNDAYS (3 P.M. TILL 9 P.M.)

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Issue (5th October, 1890, to 31st May, 1891) .. .. .. | 1414 |
| Sundays Open .. .. .. .. .. .. | 35 |
| Average Sunday Issue .. .. .. .. .. .. | 40 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1890, TO MAY 31ST, 1891.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1890. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 204 | 51 | 551 | 1212 | 144 | 11983 | 445 | 14590 | 25 | 583 |
| July | 156 | 48 | 494 | 1151 | 144 | 12915 | 439 | 15347 | 27 | 568 |
| August | 188 | 49 | 521 | 1134 | 140 | 13151 | 406 | 15589 | 25 | 624 |
| September | 216 | 64 | 562 | 1347 | 131 | 13380 | 470 | 16170 | 26 | 622 |
| October | 228 | 63 | 751 | 1414 | 135 | 13207 | 516 | 16314 | 27 | 604 |
| November | 241 | 83 | 788 | 1427 | 221 | 13421 | 633 | 16814 | 25 | 673 |
| December | 147 | 71 | 561 | 1297 | 177 | 11865 | 533 | 14651 | 25 | 586 |
| 1891. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 201 | 88 | 684 | 1510 | 161 | 13500 | 658 | 16802 | 26 | 646 |
| February | 194 | 94 | 711 | 1459 | 171 | 13022 | 641 | 16292 | 24 | 679 |
| March | 233 | 105 | 711 | 1405 | 211 | 13390 | 617 | 16672 | 24 | 695 |
| April | 201 | 105 | 727 | 1333 | 196 | 13767 | 647 | 16976 | 26 | 653 |
| May | 209 | 87 | 655 | 1137 | 160 | 13736 | 565 | 16549 | 25 | 662 |
| Totals. | 2418 | 908 | 7716 | 15826 | 1991 | 157337 | 6570 | 192766 | 305 | 632 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE OCCUPATIONS OF NEW BORROWERS FROM THE CENTRAL LIBRARY, 1890-91.

| | |
|---|---|
| Accountants | 23 |
| Actors and Actresses | 6 |
| Agents, Collectors, Commercial Travellers, &c. | 75 |
| Apprentices | 23 |
| Architects and Surveyors | 22 |
| Artists | 28 |
| Auctioneers | 2 |
| Bakers and Confectioners | 25 |
| Barristers and Solicitors | 6 |
| Blacksmiths, &c. | 8 |
| Bookbinders | 4 |
| Booksellers, Stationers and Newsagents | 6 |
| Bootmakers | 12 |
| Brass Finishers | 5 |
| Bricklayers | 8 |
| Builders | 25 |
| Butchers | 6 |
| Caretakers and Messengers | 42 |
| Carpenters and Joiners | 78 |
| Chemists, &c. | 23 |
| Clergymen and Ministers | 10 |
| Clerks, Book-keepers, and Civil Servants | 611 |
| Coach Builders | 4 |
| Coal Merchants | 2 |
| Cycle Makers | 2 |
| Dairymen and Milkvendors | 4 |
| District Visitor | 1 |
| Domestic Servants | 37 |
| Drapers | 19 |
| Draughtsmen | 8 |
| Dressmakers and Milliners | 129 |
| Electricians | 7 |
| Engine Drivers | 2 |
| Engineers | 53 |
| Engravers | 6 |
| Factory Operatives | 19 |
| Fitters and Ironmoulders | 11 |
| Gardeners and Florists | 10 |
| Greengrocer | 1 |
| Carried forward | 1363 |
| Brought forward | 1363 |
| Grocers and Provision Merchants | 25 |
| Hairdressers | 4 |
| Hatters | 6 |
| Inspectors, Overseers, &c | 10 |
| Ironmongers | 6 |
| Journalists | 9 |
| Labourers | 8 |
| Librarians and Assistants | 2 |
| Licensed Victuallers | 5 |
| Masons | 7 |
| Mechanics | 25 |
| Merchants, &c. | 32 |
| Musicians | 41 |
| Nurses | 20 |
| Opticians | 2 |
| Painters and Decorators | 32 |
| Physicians and Surgeons | 16 |
| Pianoforte Makers | 2 |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters | 16 |
| Police Officers | 3 |
| Post Office Employés | 7 |
| Printers and Compositors | 45 |
| Publishers | 2 |
| Railway Employés | 23 |
| Saddlers | 6 |
| Scholars | 118 |
| Sculptors | 4 |
| Secretaries and Managers | 31 |
| Shop Assistants | 106 |
| Students | 44 |
| Tailors and Outfitters | 35 |
| Teachers | 192 |
| Telegraphists | 18 |
| Tobacconists | 10 |
| Undertakers | 11 |
| Upholsterers | 2 |
| Waiters | 12 |
| Warehousemen | 24 |
| Watchmakers and Jewellers | 11 |
| No Occupation stated | 1849 |
| Total | 4184 |

# LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

## DAILY.

Daily Chronicle (2 copies)
Daily Graphic
Daily News
* Daily Oracle
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
* Financial Times
Globe
Journal des Debats
Morning Post
Pall Mall Gazette
St. James's Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

## WEEKLY.

Academy
* Agriculture
* Alliance News
* Army and Navy Gazette
Athenæum
* Battersea and Clapham Courier
Battersea Herald
* Bicycling News
* British and Colonial Printer and Stationer
* British Building Journal
Broad Arrow
Builder
* Builders' Reporter
Building News
* Bullionist
* Capitalist
Christian World
* Church Bells
* Church Times
* Civil Service Competitor
* Clapham Observer
* Co-operative News
Dispatch
* Drapers' Record
* Electrical Engineer
* Electrician
* Empire (Toronto)
Engineer
Engineering
English Mechanic
Era
* European Mail (Australian edition)
* Feathered World
Field
* Free Life
* Freemason
* Freethinker
Fun
* Gas World
Gentlewoman
Graphic
* Greater Britain
* Grocers' Chronicle
* Grocers' Gazette
* Illustrated Carpenter and Builder
Illustrated London News
Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News
Illustrirte Zeitung
* Imperial Federation
* Inquirer
* Insurance Record
* Investors' Guardian
* Iron
* Iron and Coal Trades' Review
* Iron and Steel Trades' Journal
Judy
* Kensington Society
Lady
Lady's Pictorial
Land and Water
* Leader
* Liberal Unionist
Literary World
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
* Local Government Chronicle
* Mark Lane Express Agricultural Journal
* Methodist Times

## WEEKLY (continued).

* Metropolitan
* Mirror (Stuart Cumberland's)
* Montreal Weekly Witness
* National Reformer
Nature
Notes and Queries
* Paper Trade Review
* Pastime
* Phonetic Journal
* Pioneer of Wisdom
* Policy Holder
Punch
* Railway Record
* Railway Review
* Refreshment News
Reynolds's Newspaper
Saturday Review
* Schoolmistress
South London Press
South Western Star
Speaker
Spectator
Truth
* Vegetarian
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
* War Cry
Weekly Freeman
Weekly Scotsman
Work
World

## FORTNIGHTLY.

* Charity Record
* Illustrated Sydney News

## MONTHLY.

All the Year Round
Antiquary
Argosy
* Babyhood
* Bible Advocate
Cassell's Magazine
Century Magazine
Chambers's Journal
* Chemical Review
* China's Millions
* Christian Socialist
* Church Reformer
* Commercial World
Cornhill Magazine
* Day of Days
* Deceased Seamen (Official List)
* Educational Times
* Electrical Plant
* Emigrants' Information Office Circulars
English Illustrated Magazine
* Financial Reformer
* Fireside
* Free Russia
Girls' Own Paper
Good Words
* Hand and Heart
Harper's Magazine
* Home Words
* Illustrated Official Journal (Patents)
* Indian Magazine and Review
* Insurance and Financial Gazette
* Jewellers' Chronicle
Knowledge
Leisure Hour
* Liberator
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
* Manufacturer and Inventor
* Messiah's Kingdom
* Monthly Journal of the National Society of Professional Musicians
* Mother's Treasury
Murray's Magazine
* Musical Herald
Musical Times
Myra's Journal
* National Church
* Natural Food
* Nature Notes
* New Church Magazine
* Oddfellows' Magazine
* Our Own Gazette
* Practical Photographer
* Protestant Observer
* Public Health
Quiver
* Rechabite Magazine
Review of Reviews
Scribner's Magazine
* Specialities for Architects, etc.
* Stationer, Printer, and Fancy Trades' Register
Strand Magazine
Temple Bar
* True Thinker
* Western World (Canada)
* Zoophilist

## REFERENCE LIBRARY.

Army List
Art Journal
Atlantic Monthly
Blackwood's Magazine
* Building World
Contemporary Review
Edinburgh Review
Fortnightly Review
Journal of Decorative Art
Magazine of Art
* Minutes of Proceedings of the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea
* Minutes of Proceedings of the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth & Clapham Union
* Minutes of Proceedings of the London County Council
* Minutes of Proceedings of the School Board for London
National Review
Navy List
New Review
Nineteenth Century
North American Review
Quarterly Review
Revue des deux Mondes
Westminster Review

## RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

Bradshaw's Guide
* Caledonian
* Cook's Excurionist
* Cunard Steam Ship Co.
* Gaze's Tourist Gazette
* General Steam Navigation Co.
* Glasgow and South Western
* Great Eastern
* Great North of Scotland
* Great Northern
* Great Southern and Western (Ireland)
* Great Western
* London and North Western
* London and South Western
* London, Brighton, and South Coast
* London, Chatham, and Dover
* Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire
* Midland
* North Eastern
* South Eastern

## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th*, 1890.

### SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of volumes in stock at opening .. .. .. | 4,261 |
| ,, ,, added .. .. .. .. .. | 304 |
| ,, ,, in stock on May 31st, 1891 .. .. | 4,565 |
| ,, ,, issued since opening .. .. .. | 25,725 |
| Daily Average .. .. .. .. .. .. | 128 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening .. .. | 1,301 |
| ,, ,, Tickets cancelled .. .. .. .. | 146 |
| ,, ,, Borrowers on May 31st, 1891 .. .. .. | 1,155 |
| ,, ,, Volumes bound .. .. .. .. | 44 |
| Works damaged and replaced by Borrowers .. .. .. | 6 |

### CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, ON MAY 31st, 1891.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy .. .. .. | 178 |
| ,, B | Law, Politics and Sociology .. .. .. | 95 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History .. .. | 246 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels .. | 1,033 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama .. .. .. .. | 228 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction .. .. .. .. | 2,406 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature .. .. .. .. | 379 |
| | Total .. | 4,565 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS,

## FROM OCTOBER 1st, 1890, TO MAY 31st, 1891.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Law, Politics, and Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1890. | | | | | | | | | | |
| October | 14 | 9 | 42 | 112 | 3 | 1686 | 17 | 1883 | 27 | 70 |
| November | 16 | 16 | 52 | 183 | 15 | 2731 | 51 | 3064 | 25 | 122 |
| December | 20 | 10 | 54 | 165 | 7 | 2683 | 34 | 2973 | 25 | 119 |
| 1891. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 27 | 13 | 72 | 163 | 23 | 3133 | 60 | 3491 | 26 | 134 |
| February | 25 | 21 | 72 | 200 | 18 | 3024 | 49 | 3409 | 24 | 142 |
| March | 20 | 14 | 58 | 180 | 26 | 3169 | 54 | 3521 | 24 | 146 |
| April | 21 | 19 | 58 | 163 | 31 | 3341 | 56 | 3689 | 26 | 142 |
| May | 25 | 15 | 37 | 161 | 25 | 3380 | 52 | 3595 | 25 | 148 |
| Totals | 168 | 117 | 445 | 1327 | 148 | 23147 | 373 | 25725 | 202 | 127 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE OCCUPATIONS OF BORROWERS FROM THE LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

| | |
|---|---|
| Accountants | 4 |
| Actors and Actresses | 3 |
| Agents, Collectors, Commercial Travellers, &c. | 9 |
| Apprentices | 13 |
| Artists and Photographers | 4 |
| Authoress | 1 |
| Bagmaker | 1 |
| Bakers and Confectioners | 6 |
| Bath Attendant | 1 |
| Blacksmiths | 2 |
| Boat Builders | 5 |
| Booksellers, Stationers, and Newsagents | 6 |
| Bootmakers | 3 |
| Bricklayers | 5 |
| Brush Maker | 1 |
| Builders | 10 |
| Butchers | 2 |
| Cabinet Makers | 3 |
| Caretakers and Messengers | 36 |
| Carmen | 2 |
| Carpenters and Joiners | 31 |
| Chemists | 2 |
| Civil Servants | 9 |
| Clergymen | 2 |
| Clerks | 123 |
| Coach Builders | 3 |
| Coppersmiths | 2 |
| Coal Merchant | 1 |
| Corn Chandler | 1 |
| Cycle Makers | 3 |
| Dairymen | 3 |
| Drapers | 11 |
| Draughtsmen | 3 |
| Dressmakers and Milliners | 69 |
| Engine Drivers | 7 |
| Engineers | 38 |
| Engravers | 6 |
| Foremen | 4 |
| Gasworkers | 8 |
| Greengrocer | 1 |
| Grocers and Provision Merchants | 8 |
| Carried forward | 452 |
| Brought forward | 452 |
| Hairdressers | 2 |
| Hatters | 2 |
| Ironmonger | 1 |
| Labourers | 12 |
| Laundress | 1 |
| Librarians and Assistants | 5 |
| Licensed Victuallers | 2 |
| Masons | 4 |
| Mechanics | 10 |
| Musical Instrument Makers | 2 |
| Musicians | 9 |
| Painters and Decorators | 14 |
| Pattern Makers | 9 |
| Physicians and Surgeons | 4 |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters | 11 |
| Police Officers | 3 |
| Post Office Employés | 17 |
| Poulterer | 1 |
| Printers and Compositors | 24 |
| Railway Employés | 38 |
| Saddlers | 6 |
| Salesmen | 4 |
| Scholars | 23 |
| Secretaries and Managers | 5 |
| Servants (Domestic) | 14 |
| Shop Assistants | 25 |
| Stokers | 9 |
| Students | 9 |
| Surveyor | 1 |
| Tailors and Outfitters | 19 |
| Teachers | 47 |
| Telegraphists | 10 |
| Timekeepers | 2 |
| Tobacconists | 3 |
| Turners and Fitters | 11 |
| Waiters | 6 |
| Warehousemen | 11 |
| Watchmakers and Jewellers | 16 |
| No occupation stated | 311 |
| Total | 1155 |

# LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE LURLINE GARDENS READING ROOM.

*Those marked * are presented.*

## DAILY.

Daily Chronicle
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
Globe
Morning Post
Pall Mall Gazette
St. James's Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

## WEEKLY.

* Alliance News
Battersea Herald
* British and Colonial Printer and Stationer
* British Protestant
Builder
* Church Bells
* Civil Service Competitor
* Co-operative News
* Electrician
* Empire (Toronto)
Engineer
English Mechanic
* Free Life
* Freethinker
Gentlewoman
Graphic
Illustrated London News
* Inquirer
Judy
Literary World
* National Reformer
Nature
* News of the World
* Phonetic Journal
Punch
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star
Speaker
Spectator
Truth
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
Work
World

## MONTHLY.

All the Year Round
Argosy
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
* Church Reformer
Cornhill Magazine
English Illustrated Magazine
* Financial Reformer
Fortnightly Review
* Free Russia
Good Words
* Imperial Federation
Knowledge
Leisure Hour
* Liberal Unionist
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Musical Times
* National Church
* Natural Food
New Review
Nineteenth Century
* Protestant Observer
* Railway Signal
Review of Reviews
Temple Bar
* Zoophilist

## RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

A.B.C. Guide
* Gaze's Tourist Gazette
* General Steam Navigation Co.
* Great Eastern
* Great North of Scotland
* Great Northern
* Great Southern and Western (Ireland)
* Great Western
* Highland
* London and North Western
* London, Brighton, and South Coast
* Midland
* North British
* North Eastern

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th*, 1888.

## SUMMARY

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of volumes in stock on June 1st, 1890 .. .. | 5543 |
| ,, ,, added 1890-91 .. .. .. .. | 110 |
| ,, ,, transferred to Central Library .. . | 79 |
| ,, ,, in stock on May 31st, 1891 .. .. | 5574 |
| ,, ,, issued 1890-91 .. .. .. .. | 45,701 |
| Daily Average .. .. .. .. .. .. | 156 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since June 1st, 1890 .. .. | 891 |
| ,, ,, ,, opening .. .. .. | 5452 |
| ,, .. on May 31st, 1891 .. .. .. | 3467 |
| ,, Volumes bound .. .. .. .. .. | 452 |
| Works worn out and replaced by new copies .. .. .. | 23 |
| Works damaged and replaced by Borrowers .. .. .. | 13 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL ON MAY 31st, 1891.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Class | A | Religion and Philosophy .. .. .. | 404 |
| ,, | B | Law, Politics and Sociology .. .. .. | 160 |
| ,, | C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History . .. | 397 |
| ,, | D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels .. | 1123 |
| ,, | E | Poetry and the Drama .. .. .. .. | 230 |
| ,, | F | Prose Fiction .. . .. .. .. | 2833 |
| ,, | G | Miscellaneous Literature .. .. .. .. | 427 |
| | | Total .. | 5574 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF BOOKS ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL, FROM JUNE 1st, 1890, TO MAY 31st, 1891.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Law, Politics, and Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography Geography and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1890. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 26 | 17 | 119 | 203 | 20 | 3387 | 54 | 3826 | 24 | 159 |
| July | 14 | 3 | 76 | 116 | 17 | 2332 | 50 | 2608 | 15 | 174 |
| August | 39 | 9 | 150 | 210 | 31 | 4042 | 78 | 4559 | 25 | 182 |
| September | 60 | 17 | 158 | 224 | 38 | 4095 | 94 | 4686 | 26 | 180 |
| October | 43 | 15 | 111 | 237 | 34 | 3614 | 93 | 4147 | 27 | 153 |
| November | 47 | 23 | 101 | 229 | 33 | 3426 | 91 | 3950 | 25 | 158 |
| December | 49 | 17 | 73 | 235 | 29 | 3026 | 87 | 3516 | 25 | 140 |
| 1891. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 19 | 9 | 74 | 166 | 25 | 3080 | 69 | 3442 | 26 | 132 |
| February | 30 | 14 | 85 | 215 | 20 | 3108 | 93 | 3565 | 24 | 148 |
| March | 33 | 17 | 84 | 193 | 21 | 3318 | 67 | 3733 | 24 | 155 |
| April | 41 | 16 | 83 | 217 | 20 | 3466 | 81 | 3924 | 26 | 151 |
| May | 47 | 5 | 82 | 206 | 22 | 3309 | 74 | 3745 | 25 | 150 |
| Totals | 448 | 162 | 1196 | 2451 | 316 | 40203 | 931 | 45701 | 292 | 156 |

# LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE LAMMAS HALL READING ROOM.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

## DAILY.

Daily Chronicle
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
Globe
Pall Mall Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

## WEEKLY.

Battersea Herald
* Bedfordshire Mercury
Builder
* Civil Service Competitor
* Clerks of Works' Journal
* Contract Journal
* Contractor
* Co-operative News
* Empire (Toronto)
English Mechanic
Field
* Free Life
Graphic
Illustrated London News
Judy
Lloyds' Weekly Newspaper
Nature
Punch
Reynolds's Newspaper
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star
Spectator
Truth
* Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
* War Cry
Weekly Freeman
Weekly Scotsman
Work
World

## MONTHLY.

All the Year Round
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
Contemporary Review
English Illustrated Magazine
Good Words
Leisure Hour
* Liberal Unionist
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Nineteenth Century
* Protestant Observer
Quiver
* Son of Temperance

## RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

* Caledonian
* General Steam Navigation Co.
* Glasgow and South Western
* Great Eastern
* Great Northern
* Great Western
* Highland
* London and North Western
* London, Brighton, and South Coast
* Midland
* North Eastern

# LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Accountants and Auditors, Society of | 1 | |
| Ainsley, T. L., South Shields, Representatives of | 1 | |
| Allin, Rev. Thos. | 2 | |
| Anonymous | 1 | 2 |
| Ashfield & Young | 3 | |
| Backhouse, Mrs. | 2 | |
| Barnes, Howarth | 1 | |
| Barraud, F. P. | 1 | |
| Battersea Vestry | 1 | 1 |
| (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued.) | | |
| Bell & Sons, Publishers | 1 | |
| Berry, Albert | 16 | |
| Blake, W. F. | 1 | 1 |
| Bodman, J. B. | 1 | |
| Brassey, Rt. Hon. Lord | 3 | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the | 31 | |
| Broadbelt, Thomas | 4 | |
| Burns, John | 4 | 1 |
| Canada, High Commissioner for | | 1 |
| Capel, Charles C. | 1 | |
| Cassell & Co., Limited | 1 | |
| Chalmers, Patrick | 2 | |
| Charity Organisation Society | 1 | |
| Church of England Book Society | 38 | |
| Clarendon Press, Oxford | 35 | |
| Clark, R. & R. | 1 | |
| Cobbe, Miss Frances Power | 1 | |
| Cobden Club, Committee of the | 1 | |
| Collins, W. | | 18 |
| Cope, Bros. & Co., Limited | | 4 |
| Crawshay, R. M. | 2 | |
| Cust, R. N. | 12 | |
| Danson, J. T. | 1 | |
| Davis, Cecil T. | 3 | |
| Doncaster, Miss | 1 | |
| Duffie, Mrs. | 1 | |
| Edmonds, Mrs. E. M. | 12 | 24 |
| Edwards, Miss Amelia B. | | 1 |
| Emigrants' Information Office | 1 | |
| Etheridge, J. H. | 3 | |
| Featherstonhaugh, W. | 50 | |
| Financial Reform Association | 1 | |
| Findlay, Hugh | 12 | |
| Forbes, James Staats | 1 | |
| Foy, Mrs. | 1 | |
| Hammersmith Vestry | 1 | 1 |
| Hammond, Peter | | |
| (Facsimile reproductions of Ancient Historical documents.) | | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Harrison, Mrs. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Harvard University, U.S.A. .. .. .. . | | 5 |
| Harvey, A. J. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 8 |
| Heathman, J. H. & Co. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Henchie, E. J. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Higgs, Frank .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Hogg, John .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Horrocks, J. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 3 |
| India, Secretary of State in Council of .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Irish Unionist Alliance .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| James, Hugh .. .. .. .. .. .. | 45 | |
| (And Clock for Board Room at Central Library.) | | |
| Kershaw, S. W. .. .. .. .. .. . | 8 | 1 |
| Knight, J. C. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 5 | |
| Leigh Brown Trustees (per Messrs. Geo. Bell & Sons) .. | 1 | |
| Lewes, V. B. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Lewis, F. W. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 4 |
| Linsell, Mrs. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 23 |
| Local Government Board .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| London, Corporation of the City of .. .. .. | 1 | |
| London County Council . .. .. .. .. | | 3 |
| (And Minutes of Proceedings as issued.) | | |
| London, School Board for .. .. .. .. | | |
| (Reports and Minutes of Proceedings as issued.) | | |
| Luxmoore, C. M. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 4 | |
| Magenis, Charles .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Marshall, H. C... .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Mitchell, C., & Co. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Monk, G. V. .. .. .. .. .. . | 1 | |
| Morgan, O. V., M.P. .. .. .. .. .. | 25 | 12 |
| (And Parliamentary Bills as published.) | | |
| New South Wales, Agent General for .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Nicoll, Donald .. .. .. .. .. .. | 5 | |
| Oliphant, Anderson, & Ferrier .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Phillips, G. W... .. .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Pierson, Mrs. Elizabeth .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Pitman, Isaac & Sons .. .. .. .. .. | 7 | |
| Public Libraries: Reports and Catalogues have been received from the following:—Aberdeen, Aston, Barrow-in-Furness, Belfast, Birkenhead, Birmingham, Blackburn, Blackpool, Bodleian Library (Oxford), Bolton, Bootle, Bradford, Brentford, Cambridge, Cardiff, Cheltenham, Chester, Croydon, Darwen, Derby, Doncaster, Dundee, Ealing, Edinburgh, Fleetwood, Folkestone, Great Yarmouth, Halifax, Handsworth, Hanley, Harvard University Library (Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A.), Kidderminster, Leamington Spa, Leeds, Leicester, Liverpool, London—Camberwell, Chelsea, Clapham, Clerkenwell, Deptford Library and Club, Fulham, Kensington, Paddington, Putney, Streatham, Wandsworth, Westminster, Wimbledon, Los Angeles (California), Manchester, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Nottingham Mechanics Institution, Plymouth, Preston, Rotherham, Runcorn, St. Helens, Salford, Shakespeare Memorial Library (Stratford-on-Avon), Sheffield, Smethwick, Southampton, South Shields, Stoke-upon-Trent, Sunderland, Swansea, Tonbridge, Toronto (Canada), Twickenham, Tynemouth, Walsall, Warrington, Watford, Wednesbury, West Bromwich, Whitehaven, Widnes, Wigan, Wolverhampton. | | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Roller, Mrs. | 6 | |
| Royal Dublin Society | | 3 |
| Shorthouse, E. | 2 | |
| Shutter, T. O. | 4 | |
| Smith, E. W. | 15 | 3 |
| Stark, J. | 15 | |
| Sunday Society | 3 | |
| Surrey Archæological Society | 6 | |
| Surrey County Council | 2 | |
| Tasmania, Agent-General for | 1 | |
| Thompson, G. Carslake | 2 | |
| Tonkin, J. C. & R. W. | 1 | |
| Trinity College, London, Registrar of | 1 | |
| Tucker, Capt. Charlton | 1 | |
| Uruguay Consul General | 2 | |
| Wandsworth and Clapham Union, Guardians of the Poor of the (Minutes of Proceedings as issued.) | | |
| Ward, Lock, & Co. | 1 | |
| Warne, C. H. | 1 | |
| Washington (U.S.A.) Bureau of Education | 4 | |
| Washington (U.S.A.) Commission of Education | 2 | |
| Webb, T. E. | 1 | |
| Wood, Edward, J.P. | 3 | |

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM MAY 29, 1890, TO MAY 19, 1891.

| Names. | Meetings of the Commissioners. | | Committee Meetings. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Summoned to | Attended | Summoned to | Attended |
| Barnes, Howarth .. | 25 | 20 | — | — |
| Davey, J. B. ..... | 23 | 18 | 2 | 2 |
| *Gitsham, Henry.... | 25 | 10 | — | — |
| Higgs, Frank ..... | 23 | 17 | 3 | 3 |
| *James, Hugh ..... | 25 | 19 | 8 | 3 |
| Mellor, John ..... | 25 | 16 | — | — |
| Shutter, T. O..... | 25 | 20 | 5 | 4 |
| Thornton, Percy M. | 25 | 8 | — | — |
| †Wood, Edward .... | 12 | 4 | — | — |

* Mr. Gitsham and Mr. James were prevented by illness from attending several meetings.

† Mr. Wood was appointed a Commissioner in November, 1890.

# STATEMENT

OF

# RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

1890-91.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

BY THE COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND

*for the year ended the*

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RECEIPTS.

A—RECEIPTS OTHER THAN FROM LOANS: —

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amounts received from Rates .. | | | | 2704 | 18 | 4 |
| Fines, Sale of Catalogues, &c. .. | 269 | 17 | 3 | | | |
| Miscellaneous Receipts .. .. | 8 | 8 | 6 | | | |
| Donations .. .. .. . | 4 | 4 | 0 | | | |
| Bankers' Interest .. .. .. | 55 | 9 | 6 | | | |
| | | | | 337 | 19 | 3 |
| Total Receipts .. .. | | | | 3042 | 17 | 7 |
| Balances in hand at commencement of year, as per Financial Statement to 25th March, 1890 .. .. .. .. | | | | 4084 | 5 | 11 |
| | | | | £7127 | 3 | 6 |

AND EXPENDITURE

MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

*25th day of March*, 1891.

## EXPENDITURE.

A—EXPENDITURE OTHER THAN OUT OF LOANS:—

| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
|---|---|---|
| Interest on Loans | | 468 5 7 |
| Repayment of Principal of Loans | | 603 6 8 |
| Salaries of Officers | | 517 0 8 |
| Rent and Taxes | | 144 8 0 |
| Cleaning, Fuel, Lighting, etc. | | 273 0 10 |
| Books, Newspapers, Maps, etc. | | 664 11 5 |
| Bookbinding and Repairing | | 154 12 3 |
| Stationery and Printing | | 319 2 3 |
| Advertising | | 10 7 2 |
| Sundries | | 28 18 8 |
| Repairs, Furniture, etc. | | 272 19 1 |
| Postage, Carriage, etc. | | 23 13 6 |
| Fire Insurance | | 9 5 4 |
| Erection of Buildings | | 1042 1 7 |
| | | 4531 13 0 |

B—EXPENDITURE OUT OF LOANS:

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Erection of Buildings | 2132 11 7 | |
| Furniture and Fittings | 418 0 2 | |
| | | 2550 11 9 |
| Total Expenditure | | 7082 4 9 |

Balances at end of year:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| In Treasurer's hands | 22 6 9 | |
| In hands of Secretary | 22 12 0 | |
| | | 44 18 9 |
| | | £7127 3 6 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, Secretary and Librarian.

*April 10th*, 1891.

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I give and bequeath, out of such part of my personal estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Commissioners for Public Libraries and Museums for the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of London, the sum of*

*free from Legacy Duty, to be expended for the benefit of the Public Libraries of the said Parish in such manner as the Commissioners may think proper, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Commissioners shall be an effectual discharge for the same legacy.*

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Donations may be intimated to the Librarian at the Central Library, Lavender Hill, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Commissioners.

# BATTERSEA
# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## FIFTH
## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

AND MUSEUMS

FOR THE

## Parish of St. Mary, Battersea,

1891-92.

LONDON:
TRUSLOVE & BRAY, PRINTERS, WEST NORWOOD.
1892.

LONDON:

TRUSLOVE AND BRAY, PRINTERS AND PUBLISHERS,

KNIGHT'S HILL, WEST NORWOOD.

## Commissioners:

| 1891-92. | 1892-93. |
|---|---|
| Mr. HOWARTH BARNES | Mr. HOWARTH BARNES |
| Mr. HENRY GITSHAM | Mr. W. T. BRAY |
| Mr. FRANK HIGGS | Mr. THOMAS COSTIGAN |
| Mr. HUGH JAMES | Mr. FRANK HIGGS |
| Mr. J. T. MELLOR | Mr. HUGH JAMES |
| Mr. T. O. SHUTTER | Mr. G. H. LAWTHER |
| Mr. WILLIAM STEWART | Mr. J. T. MELLOR |
| Mr. WILLIAM WILLIS | Mr. T. O. SHUTTER |
| Mr. EDWARD WOOD, J.P. | Mr. EDWARD WOOD, J.P. |

## Officers:

*Secretary and Librarian*—LAWRENCE INKSTER.

*Sub-Librarian*—ERNEST H. CADDIE.

*Assistants*—James L. Dougan, Philip C. Bursill, Rachel Norcutt, Florence North, Edith Wilkins, Horace J. Holmes, Arthur Hales, Alfred E. Rees.

*Messenger*—Jerome Moon.

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### LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH:

*Assistant-in-charge*—John F. Hogg.

*Assistant*—Wilfred E. Barnes.

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### LAMMAS HALL BRANCH:

*Assistant-in-charge*—Charles Colman.

*Assistant*—George Edney.

# *Fifth ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS for the Parish of St. MARY, BATTERSEA, in the administrative County of London.*

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The progress of the Libraries during the twelve months ended May 31st, 1892, has been steady and satisfactory, although the number of books issued at the Central Library and the Lammas Hall branch was rather less than in the previous year. This decrease has been chiefly in the department of fiction, and is one that has been observed to occur in many public libraries in the course of the second or third year of their existence. At the Lurline Gardens branch, on the other hand, a considerable increase has taken place, 46,146 volumes having been issued, as compared with 25,725 during the eight months it was open in 1890-91.

The total number of registered borrowers is 14,791, of whom 9,480 are enrolled at the Central Library, 1,720 at Lurline Gardens, and 3,591 at Lammas Hall.

The total number of volumes in stock is 30,038, of which 11,541 are in the Lending Department and 8,139 in the Reference Department of the Central Library, 4,710 at Lurline Gardens, and 5,648 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 1,278 volumes.

The total number of volumes issued during the year was 279,658, of which 178,261 were given out in the Lending Department and 15,864 in the Reference Department of the Central Library, 46,146 at Lurline Gardens, and 39,387 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in 1890-91 were 282,163.

The grant of £2,500 from the accumulated funds of the parish, sanctioned by the Vestry and referred to in the last Report, was received on September 21st, 1891, and applied by direction of the Local Government Board to the reduction of the loan of £3,000 which was obtained for the purchase of the Central Library site in May, 1888. The London County Council, from whom the money was borrowed, consented to accept immediate repayment of such a large portion of the loan upon the condition that the loss which it was assumed they would sustain by the transaction, and which they calculated at £196 16s. 5d., should be made good by the Commissioners. This having been done, the outstanding balance of the loan has now been reduced to £506, and the annual charges for interest and repayment of principal in proportion, thereby effecting an annual saving of about £130.

The first edition of the Catalogue of the Central Lending Library was exhausted in March last, and a new edition is now in the press and will be published immediately. The work of cataloguing the books in the Reference Library is nearly finished, and an additional copy of the catalogue in two large manuscript volumes has been prepared, the card catalogue not being sufficient for the requirements of readers. As soon as the extent of this department is great enough to justify the expenditure, the catalogue will be printed, but considerable additions, particularly in the important sections of applied science, the fine and industrial arts, archæology, and the results of recent scientific research, must first be made to this collection. With a view to raising funds for the purchase of such works, more especially books on technological subjects, application was made to the Livery Companies of the City of London for assistance in a matter which seemed to be of special interest to them, but the only result of this appeal was a donation of £10 from the Clothworkers' Company, for which the Commissioners desire to record their grateful thanks. They are also indebted to Mrs. Mann, of Bolingbroke Grove, Wandsworth Common,

for the gift of some 200 volumes of publications of the Royal Astronomical Society, the British Meteorological Society, the Royal Geographical Society, the Society of Arts, the British Association, and many other important works on scientific subjects. Among the other chief additions to this department during the year may be mentioned the following :—"Labour and life of the people," presented by Mr. Charles Booth, the editor ; a complete set of "Nature," Fenn's edition of the "Paston Letters," Kirk's Supplement to Allibone's "Dictionary of English Literature," Mendeléeff's "Principles of Chemistry," Mulhall's "Dictionary of Statistics," Bishop Percy's "Folio Manuscript (Ballads and Romances)," edited for the Early English Text Society by J. W. Hales and F. J. Furnivall, and presented by Mr. S. W. Kershaw, F.S.A., Librarian of Lambeth Palace ; Littré's French Dictionary, Clerke's "System of the Stars," etc.

A list of the donors who have contributed money or books during the past year, the annual financial statement, and the usual statistical tables will be found in the Appendix to this Report.

FRANK HIGGS,

*Chairman.*

Battersea Public Library,

Lavender Hill, London, S.W.

*June 21st*, 1892.

# APPENDIX.

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL,

*Opened March 26th*, 1890.

## SUMMARY.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1891 ... | 7541 |
| ,, ,, added 1891-92 ... ... ... | 598 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1892 ... | 8139 |
| ,, ,, issued 1891-92 ... ... ... | 15864 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 46 |

LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1891 ... | 11080 |
| ,, ,, added 1891-92 ... ... ... | 461 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1892 ... | 11541 |
| ,, ,, issued 1891-92 ... ... ... | 178261 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 606 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... | 12534 |
| ,, ,, ,, from June 1st, 1891, to May, 31st, 1892 ... ... ... | 3596 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 3072 |
| ,, Borrowers on May 31st, 1892 ... ... | 9462 |
| ,, Volumes bound, Lending and Reference Departments ... ... ... ... | 1556 |
| ,, Volumes lost and replaced by Borrowers | 25 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARY ON MAY 31ST, 1892.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... ... | 723 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... ... | 342 |
| ,, C | Arts and Sciences ... ... ... ... | 955 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, and Geography ... | 2025 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... ... | 357 |
| ,, F | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc. ... ... | 1059 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... ... | 2678 |
| | Total ... ... ... | 8139 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE CENTRAL LIBRARY LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1891-92.

| | | 1891. | Additions. | 1892 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 707 | 22 | 729 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 300 | 31 | 331 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 947 | 46 | 993 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 3026 | 189 | 3215 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 378 | 14 | 392 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 4522 | 105 | 4627 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 1200 | 54 | 1254 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 11080 | 461 | 11541 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1891, TO MAY 31ST, 1892.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography and Geography. | Poetry and the Drama | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1891. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 76 | 46 | 159 | 231 | 46 | 238 | 215 | 1011 | 30 | 39 |
| July | 52 | 24 | 74 | 114 | 46 | 127 | 149 | 586 | 17 | 39 |
| August | 104 | 54 | 196 | 310 | 60 | 318 | 456 | 1498 | 30 | 60 |
| September | 155 | 31 | 215 | 286 | 45 | 275 | 392 | 1399 | 30 | 53 |
| October | 89 | 46 | 230 | 347 | 55 | 279 | 439 | 1485 | 31 | 55 |
| November | 89 | 63 | 244 | 270 | 71 | 222 | 344 | 1303 | 30 | 52 |
| December | 119 | 65 | 191 | 258 | 53 | 202 | 300 | 1188 | 28 | 47 |
| 1892. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 211 | 54 | 287 | 304 | 75 | 235 | 373 | 1539 | 30 | 51 |
| February | 224 | 48 | 341 | 275 | 91 | 266 | 612 | 1857 | 29 | 64 |
| March | 112 | 83 | 304 | 248 | 80 | 280 | 542 | 1649 | 31 | 53 |
| April | 87 | 65 | 205 | 184 | 61 | 213 | 288 | 1103 | 26 | 42 |
| May | 94 | 43 | 275 | 156 | 54 | 319 | 305 | 1246 | 31 | 40 |
| Totals .. | 1412 | 622 | 2721 | 2983 | 737 | 2974 | 4415 | 15864 | 343 | 46 |

NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE LIBRARY ON SUNDAYS (3 P.M. TO 9 P.M.), 1891-92.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Issue (June 1st, 1891, to May 31st, 1892) .. .. .. | 1386 |
| Sundays Open .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 48 |
| Average Sunday Issue .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 29 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1891, TO MAY 31ST, 1892.

| MONTH. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, & Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography & Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1891. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 117 | 58 | 368 | 731 | 114 | 9441 | 330 | 11159 | 25 | 446 |
| July | 109 | 41 | 334 | 469 | 72 | 7145 | 263 | 8433 | 15 | 562 |
| August | 181 | 60 | 508 | 990 | 131 | 12402 | 481 | 14753 | 25 | 590 |
| September | 220 | 70 | 573 | 1228 | 169 | 12821 | 586 | 15667 | 26 | 603 |
| October | 207 | 85 | 764 | 1439 | 164 | 14256 | 683 | 17598 | 27 | 652 |
| November | 189 | 92 | 699 | 1381 | 198 | 12932 | 592 | 16083 | 25 | 643 |
| December | 191 | 64 | 642 | 1105 | 207 | 11701 | 517 | 14427 | 25 | 577 |
| 1892. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 199 | 81 | 722 | 1274 | 185 | 13999 | 608 | 17068 | 25 | 682 |
| February | 216 | 75 | 794 | 1409 | 198 | 14095 | 591 | 17378 | 25 | 695 |
| March | 210 | 96 | 743 | 1509 | 186 | 14359 | 587 | 17690 | 27 | 655 |
| April | 129 | 54 | 564 | 995 | 143 | 11986 | 416 | 14287 | 23 | 621 |
| May | 131 | 68 | 557 | 1041 | 126 | 11378 | 417 | 13718 | 26 | 527 |
| Totals .. | 2099 | 844 | 7268 | 13571 | 1893 | 146515 | 6071 | 178261 | 294 | 606 |

# LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

## DAILY.

Daily Chronicle (2 copies)
Daily Graphic
Daily News
*Daily Oracle
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
Globe
Journal des Débats
*Morning
Morning Post
Pall Mall Gazette
St. James's Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

## WEEKLY.

Academy
*Agriculture
*Alliance News
*Army and Navy Gazette
Athenæum
Battersea Herald
*Bicycling News
Broad Arrow
Builder
*Builders' Reporter
Building News
*Bullionist
*Capitalist
Christian World
*Church Bells
*Church Times
*Civil Service Aspirant
*Civil Service Competitor
*Clapham Compendium
*Clapham Observer
*Co-operative News
Dispatch
*Drapers' Record
*Electrical Engineer
*Electrician
Engineer
Engineering
English Mechanic
Era
*European Mail (Australian edition)
*Feathered World
Field
*Free Life
*Freemason
*Freethinker
Fun
*Gas World
Gentlewoman
Graphic
*Greater Britain
*Grocers' Chronicle
*Grocers' Gazette
*Illustrated Carpenter and Builder
Illustrated London News
Illustrated Sporting and Dramatic News
Illustrirte Zeitung
*Imperial Federation
*Inquirer
*Insurance Record
*Investors' Guardian
*Iron
*Iron and Coal Trades' Review
*Iron and Steel Trades' Journal
Judy
*Kensington Society
Lady
Lady's Pictorial
Land and Water
*Leader
Literary World
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
*Local Government Chronicle
*Mark Lane Express
*Methodist Times
*Metropolitan
*Mirror (Stuart Cumberland's)
*National Reformer
Nature
*Norwood Press and Dulwich Advertiser
Notes and Queries
*Pastime
*Phonetic Journal
*Pioneer of Wisdom
*Policy Holder

## WEEKLY—(*Continued*).

Punch
*Railway Record
*Railway Review
*Religious Bits
Reynolds's Newspaper
Saturday Review
*Schoolmistress
South London Press
South Western Star
Speaker
Spectator
Truth
*Vegetarian
*Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
*War Cry
Weekly Freeman
Weekly Scotsman
Work
World
*Yachtsman

## FORTNIGHTLY.

*Charity Record
*Illustrated Sydney News
*Insurance Spectator

## MONTHLY.

All the Year Round
Antiquary
Argosy
*Babyhood
*Bible Advocate
*Brotherhood
Cassell's Magazine
Century Magazine
Chambers's Journal
*Chemical Review
*China's Millions
*Christian Socialist
*Church Reformer
*Commercial World
Cornhill Magazine
*Day of Days
*Deceased Seamen (Official List)
*Educational Times
*Electrical Plant
*Emigrants' Information Office Circulars
English Illustrated Magazine
*Financial Reformer
*Fireside
*Free Russia
Girls' Own Paper
Good Words
*Hand and Heart
Harper's Magazine
*Home Words
*Illustrated Official Journal (Patents)
*Indian Magazine and Review
*Insurance and Financial Gazette
Knowledge
Leisure Hour
*Liberal Unionist
*Liberator
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
*Manufacturer and Inventor
*Messiah's Kingdom
*Monthly Journal of the National Society of Professional Musicians
*Mother's Treasury
*Musical Herald
Musical Times
*National Church
*Natural Food
*Nature Notes
*New Church Magazine
*Oddfellows' Magazine
*Our Own Gazette
*Photographic Scraps
*Practical Photographer
*Protestant Observer
*Public Health
Quiver
*Rechabite Magazine
Review of Reviews
Scribner's Magazine
*Specialities for Architects, etc.
*Stationer, Printer, and Fancy Trades' Register
Strand Magazine
Temple Bar
*True Thinker
*Zoophilist

## REFERENCE LIBRARY.

Army List
Art Journal
Atlantic Monthly
Blackwood's Magazine
*Building World
Contemporary Review
Edinburgh Review
Fortnightly Review
*Heretic
Journal of Decorative Art
*Library Review
Magazine of Art
*Minutes of Proceedings of the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea
*Minutes of Proceedings of the London County Council
*Minutes of Proceedings of the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union
*Minutes of Proceedings of the School Board for London
Myra's Journal
National Review
Navy List
New Review
Nineteenth Century
North American Review
Quarterly Review
Revue des deux Mondes
*Tailor and Cutter
Westminster Review

## RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

Bradshaw's Guide
*Caledonian
*Cook's Excursionist
*Cunard Steam Ship Co.
*Gaze's Tourist Gazette
*General Steam Navigation Co.
*Glasgow and South Western
*Great Eastern
*Great North of Scotland
*Great Northern
*Great Southern and Western (Ireland)
*Great Western
*London and North Western
*London and South Western
*London, Brighton, and South Coast
*London, Chatham, and Dover
*Manchester, Sheffield, and Lincolnshire
*Midland
*North Eastern
*North British
*South Eastern

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of volumes in stock on June 1st, 1891 ... | 4565 |
| ,, ,, added 1891-92 ... ... ... | 145 |
| ,, ,, in stock on May 31st, 1892 .. | 4710 |
| ,, ,, issued 1891-92 ... .. ... | 46146 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... .. ... | 155 |
| Number of borrowers enrolled since June 1st, 1891 ... | 757 |
| ,, ,, ,, opening... .. | 2058 |
| ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1892 | 1720 |
| ,, ,, tickets cancelled ... ... | 192 |
| ,, volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 711 |
| ,, ,, lost and replaced by borrowers ... | 8 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS ON MAY 31ST, 1892.

| | | 1891. | Additions. | 1892. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 178 | 6 | 184 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 95 | 14 | 109 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 246 | 34 | 280 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1033 | 38 | 1071 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 228 | 2 | 230 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 2406 | 38 | 2444 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 379 | 13 | 392 |
| | | 4565 | 145 | 4710 |

# TABLE.

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1891, TO MAY 31ST, 1892.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography, Geography & Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days Open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1891. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 18 | 8 | 34 | 124 | 16 | 2542 | 48 | 2790 | 25 | 111 |
| July | 10 | 6 | 17 | 84 | 7 | 1765 | 19 | 1908 | 15 | 127 |
| August | 21 | 11 | 42 | 137 | 20 | 3141 | 60 | 3132 | 25 | 137 |
| September | 25 | 12 | 54 | 191 | 21 | 3408 | 51 | 3762 | 26 | 143 |
| October | 30 | 14 | 61 | 196 | 40 | 3799 | 92 | 4232 | 27 | 157 |
| November | 26 | 14 | 37 | 167 | 26 | 3819 | 60 | 4149 | 25 | 166 |
| December | 25 | 11 | 52 | 192 | 24 | 3512 | 60 | 3876 | 25 | 155 |
| 1892. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 35 | 10 | 55 | 267 | 30 | 4062 | 92 | 4551 | 25 | 182 |
| February | 27 | 15 | 67 | 272 | 29 | 4114 | 106 | 4630 | 25 | 185 |
| March | 34 | 21 | 97 | 286 | 41 | 4175 | 84 | 4738 | 27 | 175 |
| April | 21 | 13 | 101 | 198 | 32 | 3747 | 65 | 4177 | 24 | 174 |
| May | 21 | 12 | 79 | 169 | 23 | 3537 | 60 | 3901 | 26 | 150 |
| Totals. | 293 | 147 | 696 | 2283 | 309 | 41621 | 797 | 46146 | 295 | 156 |

## LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE LURLINE GARDENS READING ROOM.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

### DAILY.

Daily Chronicle
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
Globe
Morning Post
Pall Mall Gazette
St James's Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

### WEEKLY.

Battersea Herald
*British Protestant
Builder
*Church Bells
*Civil Service Competitor
*Co-operative News
*Electricity
Engineer
English Mechanic
*Free Life
*Freethinker
Gentlewoman
Graphic
Illustrated London News
*Inquirer
Judy
Literary World
Nature
*News of the World
*Phonetic Journal
Punch
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star
Speaker
Spectator
Truth
*Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
Work
World

### MONTHLY.

All the Year Round
Argosy
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
*Church Reformer
Cornhill Magazine
English Illustrated Magazine
Fortnightly Review
*Free Russia
Good Words
*Imperial Federation
Knowledge
Leisure Hour
*Liberal Unionist
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Musical Times
*National Church
*Natural Food
New Review
Nineteenth Century
*Protestant Observer
*Railway Signal
Review of Reviews
Strand Magazine
Temple Bar
*Zoophilist

### RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

A.B.C. Guide
*Caledonian
*General Steam Navigation Company
*Glasgow and South Western
*Great Eastern
*Great North of Scotland
*Great Northern
*Great Southern and Western (Ireland)
*Great Western
*Highland
*London and North Western
*London, Brighton & South Coast
*London, Chatham & Dover
*Manchester, Sheffield & Lincolnshire
*Midland
*North British
*North Eastern
*South Eastern

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1891 ... | 5574 |
| ,, ,, added 1891-92 ... ... ... | 74 |
| ,, ,, in Stock May 31st, 1892 . | 5648 |
| ,, ,, issued 1891-92 ... ... ... | 39387 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 133 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since June 1st, 1891 .. | 621 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, Opening ... | 6073 |
| ,, ,, on May 31st, 1892 ... ... | 3591 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 323 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies .. ... | 12 |
| Works damaged and replaced by Borrowers... ... | 6 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL ON MAY 31ST, 1892.

| | | 1891. | Additions. | 1892. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy .. | 404 | 1 | 405 |
| ,, B | Law, Politics, and Sociology | 160 | 0 | 160 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 397 | 27 | 424 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels .. | 1123 | 4 | 1127 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 230 | 4 | 234 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 2833 | 35 | 2868 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 427 | 3 | 430 |
| | | 5574 | 74 | 5648 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM JUNE 1ST, 1891, TO MAY 31ST, 1892.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Law, Politics, and Sociology. | Arts Sciences, & Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography & Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1891. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 26 | 9 | 39 | 119 | 17 | 2393 | 36 | 2639 | 25 | 105 |
| July | 23 | 7 | 24 | 70 | 7 | 1660 | 27 | 1818 | 15 | 121 |
| August | 30 | 7 | 63 | 147 | 15 | 2949 | 51 | 3262 | 25 | 130 |
| September | 31 | 14 | 79 | 161 | 16 | 3057 | 41 | 3399 | 26 | 131 |
| October | 48 | 18 | 103 | 191 | 18 | 3335 | 61 | 3774 | 27 | 140 |
| November | 33 | 9 | 67 | 177 | 33 | 3112 | 68 | 3499 | 25 | 140 |
| December | 33 | 7 | 64 | 180 | 20 | 2760 | 44 | 3108 | 25 | 124 |
| 1892. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 23 | 12 | 71 | 184 | 34 | 3330 | 61 | 3715 | 25 | 149 |
| February | 50 | 5 | 107 | 225 | 26 | 3254 | 57 | 3724 | 25 | 149 |
| March | 42 | 6 | 92 | 189 | 14 | 3240 | 59 | 3642 | 27 | 135 |
| April | 27 | 20 | 108 | 142 | 26 | 3214 | 47 | 3584 | 24 | 149 |
| May | 21 | 16 | 82 | 139 | 21 | 2902 | 42 | 3223 | 26 | 123 |
| Totals .. | 387 | 130 | 899 | 1924 | 247 | 35206 | 594 | 39387 | 295 | 133 |

## LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE LAMMAS HALL READING ROOM.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

### DAILY.

Daily Chronicle
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
Globe
Pall Mall Gazette
Standard
Star
Times

### WEEKLY.

Battersea Herald
*Bedfordshire Mercury
Builder
*Civil Service Competitor
*Civil Service Examiner and Guide
*Contract Journal
*Contractor
*Co-operative News
Engineer
English Mechanic
Field
Graphic
Illustrated London News
*Inquirer
Judy
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
Nature
Punch
Reynolds's Newspaper
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star
Spectator
Truth
*Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
*War Cry
Weekly Freeman
Weekly Scotsman
Work
World

### MONTHLY.

All the Year Round
*British Protestant
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
Contemporary Review
English Illustrated Magazine
*Free Life
*Free Russia
Good Words
Leisure Hour
*Liberal Unionist
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
*Natural Food
Nineteenth Century
*Protestant Observer
Quiver
*Zoophilist

### RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

A.B.C. Guide
*Caledonian
*General Steam Navigation Co.
*Glasgow and South Western
*Great Eastern
*Great Northern
*Great Western
*Highland
*London and North Western
*London, Brighton, and South Coast
*Midland
*North Eastern

## LIST OF DONORS OF MONEY.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Clothworkers' Company .. .. .. .. .. .. | 10 | 0 | 0 |
| Mayeur, Mrs. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | 1 | 0 |

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Anonymous .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | 6 |
| Battersea Vestry (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued) | | 4 |
| Booth, Charles .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Burne, Major-Gen. Sir Owen Tudor .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Briggs, Thomas .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| British Association, Hon. Secs. of the Cardiff Meeting, 1891 | 1 | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the .. .. .. .. | 22 | |
| Brook and Chrystal, Messrs. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Burns, John .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 12 |
| Carnegie, Andrew .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Cassell and Co., Messrs... .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Chadwick, David .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Chicago Exhibition, 1893, Royal Commission for the .. | | 1 |
| Clarke, Rev. Canon .. .. .. .. .. .. | 17 | 5 |
| Clarke, W. H. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Clive, Messrs. W. B. & Co. .. .. .. .. .. | | 11 |
| Collet, C. D. .. .. .. .. .. .. (and 4 parcels of the "Diplomatic Review," and other pamphlets) .. .. .. .. .. | | 2 |
| Cust, R. N. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Dacie, J. C. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 2 |
| Davis, Cecil T. Views and cuttings relating to Battersea (5) | | |
| Dougal, Messrs. F. H. & Co. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Etheridge, J. H. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Foreman, George .. .. .. .. .. .. | 4 | |
| Great Eastern Railway Company .. .. .. .. | 12 | 2 |
| Hammersmith Vestry .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Hanbury, Miss A... .. .. .. .. .. .. | 9 | |
| Hartley, Richard .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A. .. .. | | 3 |
| Hazell, Watson and Viney, Messrs. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Hogg, John .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 5 |
| Hunter, Dr. R. C. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Ingram, Wallace. A number of books, rescued from the fire at 309, Lavender Hill .. .. .. .. | | |
| Inkster, Lawrence .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| James, Hugh .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Keen, W. H. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 4 | |
| Kershaw, S. W. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 4 | 3 |
| Knight, J. C. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 10 | |
| Lanchester, Henry J. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Layton, Messrs. C. & E... .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Liverpool City Council .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| London County Council. Minutes of Proceedings, and other publications .. .. .. .. .. .. | | |
| Luxmoore, C. M... .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Mac Alister, J. Y. W. | 1 | |
| Mackenzie, Miss Harriot | 2 | |
| McMillan, A. J. | | 1 |
| Manchester City Council | 1 | |
| Mann, Mrs. | 209 | |
| Marshall, M. H. | 2 | |
| Mitchell, Messrs. C., & Co. | 1 | |
| Morgan, O. V., M.P. (and Parliamentary Publications) | 38 | |
| Noble, John | 1 | |
| Oxford University Press | | 1 |
| Page, Rev. W. H. J. | | 1 |
| Palæontographical Society | 15 | |
| Ransome, E. R. | | 4 |
| "Review of Reviews," Manager of | 1 | |
| Roller, Mrs. | 1 | |
| Russo-Jewish Committee | 1 | |
| School Board for London | 3 | |
| Sell, Henry | 1 | |
| Service, John | 1 | |
| Shipwrecked Fishermen and Mariners' Royal Benevolent Society | | 1 |
| Shrives, T. A. | 2 | |
| Somerville, Alex | 1 | |
| Stubbs & Co., Messrs. | 1 | |
| Tasmania, Agent-General for | 3 | |
| Thrupp, G. A. | 8 | |
| Trinity College, London, Registrar of | 1 | |
| Tucker, Captain C. | 1 | 1 |
| University Correspondence College, London | 6 | |
| Victoria, Agent-General for | 1 | 15 |
| Virtue, Messrs. J. S. & Co. | 1 | |
| Wandsworth Common Protection Association | 1 | 2 |
| Washington, U. S. A., Bureau of Education | 4 | |
| Washington, U S. A., Commission of Education | 2 | |
| Webb, T. E. | 1 | |
| White, Messrs. R. F. & Son | 1 | |
| Women's Suffrage, National Society for | | 3 |
| Younger, D. | 3 | |

PUBLIC LIBRARIES—REPORTS OR CATALOGUES have been received from the following:—

Aberdeen
Alloa
Aston
Barrow-in-Furness
Belfast
Birkenhead
Birmingham
Blackburn
Blackpool
Bodleian, Oxford
Bradford
Brentford
Brighton
Buxton
Cardiff
Cheltenham
Chester
Chicago, U.S.A.
Chiswick
Clitheroe
Croydon
Darwen
Derby
Doncaster
Ealing
Great Yarmouth
Halifax
Handsworth
Hanley
Harvard University, U.S.A.
Hindley
Kidderminster
Leamington
Leeds
Leek
Leicester
Liverpool
London:—
Chelsea
Clapham
Clerkenwell
Hammersmith
Kensington
Lambeth
Lewisham
Paddington
Rotherhithe
St. Martin-in-the-Fields
Stoke Newington
Streatham
Wimbledon
Los Angeles, California, U.S.A.
Manchester
Newport (Mon.)
Oldham (Lyceum)
Plymouth
Portsmouth
Preston
Richmond, Surrey
Rochdale
Runcorn
St. Helens
St. Louis (Mercantile Library) U.S.A.
Salford
San Francisco, U.S.A.
Sheffield
South Shields
Southampton
Stoke-upon-Trent
Sunderland
Swansea
Toronto, Canada
Twickenham
Tynemouth
Watford
Wednesbury
West Bromwich
Widnes
Wigan
Wolverhampton

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM MAY 28TH, 1891, TO MAY 17TH, 1892.

| NAMES. | MEETINGS OF THE BOARD. | |
|---|---|---|
| | Summoned to | Attended |
| Barnes, Howarth ... ... | 24 | 18 |
| Gitsham, Henry ... . . | 24 | 21 |
| Higgs, Frank ... ... | 24 | 18 |
| James, Hugh ... ... | 24 | 23 |
| Mellor, J. T. ... ... | 24 | 14 |
| Shutter, T. O. ... ... | 24 | 16 |
| Stewart, W. ... ... | 23 | 20 |
| Willis, W. ... ... .. | 23 | 23 |
| Wood, Edward ... ... | 24 | 15 |

# STATEMENT

OF

# RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

1891-92.

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

BY THE COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND

*For the year ended the*

## RECEIPTS.

A—RECEIPTS OTHER THAN FROM LOANS:—

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Amounts received from Rates ... | | | | 2850 | 0 | 0 |
| Grant from Vestry in part redemption of Loan ... ... ... ... | 2500 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Fines, Sale of Catalogues, &c. ... | 213 | 6 | 2 | | | |
| Miscellaneous Receipts ... ... | 12 | 4 | 7 | | | |
| Donations ... ... ... ... | 11 | 1 | 0 | | | |
| Bankers' Interest ... ... ... | 7 | 3 | 1 | | | |
| | | | | 2743 | 14 | 10 |
| Total Receipts ... | | | | 5593 | 14 | 10 |
| Balances in hand at commencement of year, as per Financial Statement to 25th March, 1891 ... ... ... ... | | | | 44 | 18 | 9 |
| | | | | £5638 | 13 | 7 |

I hereby certify that I have compared the entries in the above Statement with respect to such Statement have been duly complied with.

I hereby further certify that I have ascertained by Audit the correctness of the year ended the 25th day of March, 1892, included in such Statement, and

## AND EXPENDITURE.

MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

*25th day of March*, 1892.

### EXPENDITURE.

A—EXPENDITURE OTHER THAN OUT OF LOANS—

| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
|---|---|---|
| Interest on Loans ... ... ... | | 431 7 7 |
| Repayment of Principal of Loans ... | | 2906 10 3 |
| Salaries of Officers ... ... ... | | 580 11 8 |
| Rent and Taxes ... ... ... | | 113 13 2 |
| Cleaning, Fuel, Lighting, &c.... ... | | 355 7 10 |
| Books, Newspapers, Maps, &c. ... | | 347 13 2 |
| Bookbinding and Repairing ... ... | | 179 8 6 |
| Stationery and Printing ... ... | | 50 8 8 |
| Sundries .. ... ... ... ... | | 14 9 8 |
| Repairs, Furniture, &c... .. ... | | 102 14 11 |
| Postage, Carriage, &c. ... ... ... | | 14 5 3 |
| Legal and other Costs ... ... ... | | 196 16 5 |
| Fire Insurance ... ... ... ... | | 10 6 3 |
| Interest on Overdrafts ... ... ... | | 10 10 5 |
| Erection of Buildings . . ... ... | | 57 1 11 |
| Total Expenditure ... | | 5371 5 8 |
| Balances at end of year :— | | |
| In Treasurer's hands ... ... | 249 17 5 | |
| In hands of Secretary ... ... | 17 10 6 | |
| | | 267 7 11 |
| | | £5638 13 7 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, Secretary and Librarian.

*March 25th*, 1892.

with the Vouchers and other Documents relating thereto, and that the regulations

such Statement, and that the amount expended by the Commissioners during allowed by me at the Audit, is £5 371 5s. 8d.

As witness my hand this 8th day of June, 1892.

T. BARCLAY COCKERTON,

*District Auditor.*

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I give and bequeath, out of such part of my personal estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Commissioners for Public Libraries and Museums for the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of London, the sum of*

*free from Legacy Duty, to be expended for the benefit of the Public Libraries of the said Parish in such manner as the Commissioners may think proper, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Commissioners shall be an effectual discharge for the same legacy.*

Donations may be intimated to the Librarian at the Central Library, Lavender Hill, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Commissioners.

# BATTERSEA
# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## SIXTH
## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

AND MUSEUMS

FOR THE

## Parish of St. Mary, Battersea,

1892-93.

LONDON:
TRUSLOVE & BRAY, PRINTERS, WEST NORWOOD.
1893.

LONDON :

TRUSLOVE AND BRAY, PRINTERS AND PUBLISHERS,

WEST NORWOOD.

## Commissioners :

| 1892-93. | 1893-94. |
|---|---|
| Mr. HOWARTH BARNES, | Mr. HOWARTH BARNES, |
| Mr. W. T. BRAY, R.N., | Mr. W. T. BRAY, R.N., |
| Mr. THOMAS COSTIGAN, | Mr. FRANK HIGGS, |
| Mr. FRANK HIGGS, | Mr. HUGH JAMES, |
| Mr. HUGH JAMES, | Mr. G. H. LAWTHER, |
| Mr. G. H. LAWTHER, | Mr. W. J. MAY, |
| Mr. J. T. MELLOR, | Mr. J. T. MELLOR, |
| Mr. T. O. SHUTTER, | Mr. J. WILLIAMS, |
| Mr. EDWARD WOOD, J.P. | Mr. EDWARD WOOD, J.P. |

## Officers :

*Secretary and Librarian*—LAWRENCE INKSTER.

*Sub-Librarian*—ERNEST H. CADDIE.

*Assistants*—James L. Dougan, Philip C. Bursill, Florence North, Edith Wilkins, Wilfred E. Barnes. Clara L. Wheeler.

*Messenger*—Jerome Moon.

## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH :

*Assistant-in-charge*—John F. Hogg.

*Assistant*—George E. Hillé.

## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH :

*Assistant-in-charge*—Charles Colman.

*Assistant*—Horace J. Holmes

# PARISH OF BATTERSEA.

Population (1891), 150,458.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,170 acres.

Rateable value, 1893, £784,700.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

# *Sixth ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS for the Parish of St. MARY, BATTERSEA, in the Administrative County of London.*

The Commissioners beg to submit their Report for the twelve months ended May 31st, 1893.

The total number of registered borrowers is 10,221, of whom 7,326 are enrolled at the Central Library, 1673 at Lurline Gardens, and 1,222 at Lammas Hall.

The total number of volumes in stock is 31,550, of which 8,720 are in the Reference Department and 12,242 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 4,847 at Lurline Gardens, and 5,741 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 1,512 volumes, 146 of these having been presented and 1,366 purchased.

The total number of volumes issued during the year was 274,991, of which 18,212 were given out in the Reference Department and 171,558 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 47,062 at Lurline Gardens, and 38,159 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 279,658.

In June, 1892, the Commissioners decided that the Reference Library and Reading Rooms should in future be opened on Bank and other holidays as well as on Sundays, so that the buildings are now only closed on one day in the year, viz., Christmas Day.

The usual detailed statistical information, the annual financial statement, a list of donors, etc., are appended.

EDWARD WOOD,
*Chairman.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W.,
*May 31st*, 1893.

# APPENDIX.

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th*, 1890.

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1892 ... | 8139 |
| ,, ,, added 1892-93 ... ... ... | 581 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1893 ... | 8720 |
| ,, ,, issued 1892-93 ... ... ... | 18212 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 51 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 146 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1892 | 11541 |
| ,, ,, added 1892-93 ... ... ... | 701 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1893 ... | 12242 |
| ,, ,, issued 1892-93 ... ... ... | 171558 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 584 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening... ... | 16735 |
| ,, ,, ,, from June 1st, 1892, to May 31st, 1893 ... ... | 4201 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 9409 |
| ,, Borrowers on May 31st, 1893 ... ... | 7326 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 970 |
| ,, ,, lost and replaced by Borrowers | 21 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1892-93.

| | | 1892. | Additions. | 1893. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 723 | 3 | 726 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 342 | 27 | 369 |
| ,, C | Arts and Sciences ... ... | 955 | 78 | 1033 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, and Geography ... ... ... | 2025 | 110 | 2135 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 357 | 12 | 369 |
| ,, F | Encyclopœdias, Dictionaries, etc. ... ... ... ... | 1059 | 55 | 1114 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 2678 | 296 | 2974 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 8139 | 581 | 8720 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE CENTRAL LIBRARY LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1892-93.

| | | 1892. | Additions. | 1893. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy . . | 729 | 38 | 767 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 331 | 46 | 377 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... .. | 993 | 95 | 1088 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 3215 | 148 | 3363 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 392 | 36 | 428 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction .. ... ... | 4627 | 249 | 4876 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 1254 | 89 | 1343 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 11541 | 701 | 12242 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1892, TO MAY 31ST, 1893.

| MONTH. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography, and Geography. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1892. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 94 | 39 | 194 | 195 | 39 | 247 | 252 | 1060 | 29 | 36 |
| July | 47 | 19 | 95 | 144 | 36 | 159 | 137 | 637 | 17 | 37 |
| August | 120 | 50 | 295 | 260 | 21 | 234 | 349 | 1329 | 31 | 43 |
| September | 140 | 83 | 273 | 314 | 74 | 270 | 461 | 1615 | 30 | 54 |
| October | 99 | 51 | 255 | 306 | 54 | 261 | 471 | 1497 | 31 | 48 |
| November | 99 | 47 | 218 | 308 | 88 | 400 | 564 | 1724 | 30 | 57 |
| December | 130 | 69 | 207 | 263 | 166 | 321 | 447 | 1603 | 30 | 53 |
| 1893. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 103 | 72 | 339 | 323 | 93 | 298 | 548 | 1776 | 31 | 57 |
| February | 100 | 108 | 374 | 338 | 89 | 373 | 644 | 2026 | 28 | 72 |
| March | 86 | 101 | 318 | 324 | 67 | 450 | 547 | 1893 | 31 | 61 |
| April | 103 | 90 | 395 | 217 | 53 | 358 | 388 | 1604 | 30 | 53 |
| May | 62 | 72 | 196 | 230 | 38 | 386 | 464 | 1448 | 31 | 47 |
| Totals .. | 1183 | 801 | 3159 | 3222 | 818 | 3757 | 5272 | 18212 | 349 | 51 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 P.M. TO 9 P.M.) 1892-93.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Issue (June 1st, 1892, to May 31st, 1893) .. .. .. | 1612 |
| Sundays open .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 49 |
| Average Sunday Issue .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 33 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1892, TO MAY 31ST, 1893.

| MONTH. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, & Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, & Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1892. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 81 | 35 | 350 | 555 | 89 | 8681 | 333 | 10124 | 24 | 422 |
| July | 70 | 54 | 309 | 468 | 58 | 6653 | 202 | 7814 | 14 | 558 |
| August | 147 | 84 | 621 | 914 | 135 | 11634 | 401 | 13936 | 26 | 536 |
| September | 155 | 83 | 671 | 1017 | 127 | 11755 | 436 | 14244 | 26 | 548 |
| October | 172 | 115 | 722 | 1221 | 244 | 12659 | 567 | 15700 | 26 | 604 |
| November | 172 | 125 | 738 | 1191 | 209 | 12774 | 595 | 15804 | 26 | 608 |
| December | 157 | 104 | 599 | 1076 | 167 | 11727 | 477 | 14307 | 25 | 572 |
| 1893. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 203 | 101 | 764 | 1151 | 172 | 13357 | 538 | 16286 | 26 | 626 |
| February | 183 | 79 | 793 | 1203 | 180 | 13402 | 570 | 16410 | 24 | 684 |
| March | 193 | 115 | 805 | 1219 | 217 | 13531 | 555 | 16635 | 26 | 640 |
| April | 171 | 104 | 725 | 1000 | 178 | 12763 | 527 | 15468 | 24 | 644 |
| May | 190 | 92 | 624 | 941 | 173 | 12351 | 459 | 14830 | 26 | 570 |
| Totals .. | 1894 | 1091 | 7721 | 11956 | 1949 | 141287 | 5660 | 171558 | 293 | 584 |

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1892 ... | 4710 |
| ,, ,, added 1892-93 ... ... ... | 137 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1893 ... | 4847 |
| ,, ,, issued 1892-93 ... ... .. | 47062 |
| Daily average . . ... ... ... ... ... | 160 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening .. ... | 3132 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, June 1st, 1892 ... | 1074 |
| ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1893 ... | 1673 |
| ,, ,, tickets cancelled ... .. | 1459 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... .. ... | 532 |
| ,, ,, lost and replaced by Borrowers | 13 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1892-93.

| | | 1892. | Additions. | 1893. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 184 | 3 | 187 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 109 | 4 | 113 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History .. ... ... | 280 | 10 | 290 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1071 | 20 | 1091 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 230 | 7 | 237 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 2444 | 84 | 2528 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 392 | 9 | 401 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 4710 | 137 | 4847 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1892, TO MAY 31ST, 1893.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography, Geography, & Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1892. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 20 | 6 | 42 | 105 | 12 | 2539 | 47 | 2771 | 24 | 115 |
| July | 13 | 6 | 23 | 83 | 10 | 1923 | 27 | 2085 | 14 | 149 |
| August | 22 | 10 | 66 | 140 | 29 | 3377 | 39 | 3683 | 26 | 142 |
| September | 22 | 10 | 78 | 197 | 21 | 3574 | 53 | 3955 | 26 | 152 |
| October | 21 | 12 | 77 | 185 | 32 | 3929 | 71 | 4327 | 26 | 166 |
| November | 32 | 10 | 59 | 200 | 36 | 4014 | 70 | 4421 | 26 | 170 |
| December | 23 | 9 | 57 | 173 | 25 | 3635 | 65 | 3987 | 25 | 159 |
| 1893. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 28 | 16 | 63 | 164 | 23 | 4040 | 63 | 4397 | 26 | 169 |
| February | 16 | 19 | 88 | 256 | 24 | 4102 | 70 | 4575 | 24 | 191 |
| March | 29 | 16 | 67 | 246 | 30 | 4017 | 70 | 4475 | 26 | 172 |
| April | 21 | 17 | 110 | 247 | 47 | 3910 | 77 | 4429 | 24 | 185 |
| May | 12 | 20 | 80 | 177 | 31 | 3569 | 68 | 3957 | 26 | 152 |
| Totals .. | 259 | 151 | 810 | 2173 | 320 | 42629 | 720 | 47062 | 293 | 160 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH,

*Opened October 25th*, 1888.

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1892 ... | 5648 |
| ,, ,, added 1892-93 ... ... ... | 93 |
| ,, ,, in Stock May 31st, 1893 ... | 5741 |
| ,, ,, issued 1892-93 ... ... ... | 38159 |
| Daily average .. ... ... ... ... ... | 130 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since Opening ... | 6762 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, June 1st, 1892... | 689 |
| ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1893 ... | 1222 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 194 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 22 |
| Works damaged and replaced by Borrowers ... . | 5 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1892-93.

| | | 1892. | Additions. | 1893. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 405 | 2 | 407 |
| ,, B | Law, Politics, and Sociology | 160 | — | 160 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... . . ... | 424 | 3 | 427 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1127 | 4 | 1131 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 234 | 8 | 242 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 2868 | 66 | 2934 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 430 | 10 | 440 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 5648 | 93 | 5741 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM JUNE 1ST, 1892, TO MAY 31ST, 1893.

| Month. | Theology and Philosophy. | Law, Politics, and Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, & Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, & Travels | Poetry and the Drama | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1892. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 23 | 3 | 57 | 99 | 15 | 2199 | 31 | 2427 | 24 | 101 |
| July | 15 | 7 | 31 | 85 | 8 | 1538 | 23 | 1707 | 14 | 122 |
| August | 16 | 10 | 74 | 113 | 17 | 2770 | 45 | 3045 | 26 | 117 |
| September | 26 | 9 | 81 | 120 | 11 | 2903 | 35 | 3185 | 26 | 122 |
| October | 31 | 17 | 88 | 173 | 55 | 3192 | 49 | 3605 | 26 | 139 |
| November | 26 | 11 | 97 | 164 | 44 | 3247 | 66 | 3655 | 26 | 140 |
| December | 23 | 5 | 79 | 170 | 44 | 2892 | 44 | 3257 | 25 | 130 |
| 1893. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 25 | 12 | 96 | 137 | 39 | 3330 | 58 | 3697 | 26 | 142 |
| February | 37 | 12 | 89 | 184 | 23 | 3103 | 54 | 3502 | 24 | 146 |
| March | 41 | 11 | 60 | 180 | 32 | 3175 | 50 | 3549 | 26 | 136 |
| April | 24 | 12 | 64 | 131 | 23 | 3053 | 40 | 3347 | 24 | 139 |
| May | 30 | 11 | 60 | 138 | 27 | 2871 | 46 | 3183 | 26 | 122 |
| Totals .. | 317 | 120 | 876 | 1694 | 338 | 34273 | 541 | 38159 | 293 | 130 |

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Accountants and Auditors, Society of .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Aitken, W. F., 8, Severus Road, S.W. One periodical, weekly .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | |
| Anglim, J. A , 52, Eastbourne Terrace, Paddington, W. .. | | 6 |
| Anonymous .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | 4 |
| ,, Case of stuffed birds; one periodical monthly | | |
| Arthur, Rev. W., Battersea Rise, S.W. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Australia, Western, Agent-General for .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Barnes, Howarth, Cranleigh, North Side, Clapham Common, S.W. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Bartlett, J. H., 11, Rusham Road, Nightingale Lane, S.W. | 3 | |
| Battersea Vestry .. .. .. .. .. .. (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued). | 6 | |
| Beesly, Prof. E. S., 53, Warrington Crescent, W. One periodical, monthly.. .. .. .. .. .. | | |
| Billing, Mrs., Tadmor, Sunbury-on-Thames.. .. .. | 1 | |
| Board of Trade One periodical, monthly .. .. .. | | |
| Bodleian Library, Oxford .. .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Boyle, Robert, Glasgow .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the .. .. .. .. | 28 | |
| "Brandon Roy".. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Browne, T. B., 163, Queen Victoria Street, E.C. .. .. | 1 | |
| Burbery, J. S., West Cowes, I.W. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Burns, John, M.P., 108, Lavender Hill, S.W. .. .. (and Parliamentary Publications, weekly) .. | 2 | 5 |
| Byrne, Mrs. Pitt, 16, Montagu Street, Portman Square, W. | 1 | |
| Cameron, Andrew, 167, Battersea Rise, S.W. .. .. | 3 | |
| Capper, H. D., (R.N.), 50, Leathwaite Road, S.W. .. | 2 | |
| Cassell & Co., Messrs., La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Hill, E.C. | 1 | |
| Cernuschi, M. Henri .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 7 |
| Clarendon Press, Oxford .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Clarke, Archer, 63, St. John's Hill, S W. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Costigan, Thomas, 20, Louvaine Road, S W. .. .. | 6 | |
| Crawshay, Mrs. R. M., Bwlch, Breconshire .. .. | 1 | |
| Crocker, W., Wellington, Somerset .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Currie, Messrs. Donald, & Co., 3 & 4, Fenchurch St., E.C. Castle Line Map of South Africa .. .. .. | | |
| Cust, R. N., 63, Elm Park Gardens, S.W. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Ehrenfechter, C. A., 122, Shepherd's Bush Road, W. .. | 1 | |
| Foster, Emily, Manchester .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Fryer, Dr. A. C., Clifton, Bristol .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Griswold, W. M., Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A. .. .. | | 1 |
| Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A. .. .. | | 3 |
| Hereford, Mayor and Corporation of.. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Imperial Institute, Executive Council of the .. .. | 1 | |
| Inkster, Lawrence, Battersea Public Library, S.W. .. | 8 | |
| James, Hugh, 6, Gorst Road, S.W. .. .. .. .. | 10 | |
| Jardine, J. C., Dunstable. Two periodicals weekly .. | | |
| Jepson's Mercantile Directory, Proprietors of, 17, Coleman Street, E.C. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Johnston, Messrs. W. & A. K., Edinburgh. Large Wall Map of Europe .. .. .. .. .. | | |
| Kendal & Dent, Messrs., 106, Cheapside, E.C. Framed photograph of Westminster Palace, with clock inserted in clock tower .. .. .. .. .. .. | | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Knight, J. C., 59, Candahar Road, S.W. | 3 | |
| Lawrence, Edwin, Ascot | 18 | |
| London County Council (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued). | 3 | |
| Los Angeles Public Library, California, U.S.A. | | 1 |
| Luxmoore, C. M., 529, Battersea Park Road, S.W. | 25 | |
| Manchester Public Libraries | | 1 |
| Manitoba, Government of | | 3 |
| Miller & Richard, Messrs., Water Lane, E.C. | 3 | |
| Mitchell, Messrs. C., & Co., Red Lion Court, E.C. | 1 | |
| Mollett, J. W., 5, Ilminster Gardens, Battersea, S.W. | 1 | 1 |
| Morgan, O. V., 13, The Boltons, S.W. (and Parcel of Parliamentary Publications, and Miscellaneous Pamphlets) | 1 | |
| Morton, C., 167, City Road, E.C. | 2 | |
| Mull, M., 29, Shepherd's Bush Green, W. One periodical, weekly | | |
| Murray, John, Albemarle Street, W. | 1 | |
| Parkes, Kineton E., Leek. One magazine, monthly | | |
| Philological Society | 34 | 1 |
| Plumbers, The Worshipful Company of | 15 | |
| Protheroe, D. Y. R., 57, Gorst Road, S.W. | 17 | |
| Religious Tract Society | 1 | |
| Schilling & Co., Messrs., 7, Ludgate Square, E.C. | 1 | |
| School Board for London (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued). | 4 | |
| Scottish Home Rule Association, Edinburgh | 1 | 4 |
| Shorthouse, E., Edgbaston, Birmingham | 2 | |
| Smith, E. R., 111, Ashbury Road, S.W. | | 5 |
| Stephenson, Blake & Co., Messrs., 33, Aldersgate Street, E.C. | 1 | |
| Stevens G., 52, Grayshott Road, S.W. | 1 | |
| Tasmania, Agent-General for | 3 | |
| Thomas, J. W., 6, Elspeth Road, S.W. | 3 | |
| Thompson, E. S., St. Paul, Minnesota, U.S.A. American newspapers and periodicals from time to time: various | | |
| Trinity College, London, Registrar of | 1 | |
| Trist, John, 18, Queen's Parade, S.W. One periodical, monthly | | |
| Truslove & Bray, Messrs., West Norwood, S.E. One newspaper, weekly | | |
| Turner, F., 29, Severus Road, S.W. | 1 | |
| University Correspondence College, London | 2 | |
| Victoria, Agent-General for | 2 | |
| Vivisection, International Society for the Protection of Animals from | | 2 |
| Voysey, Rev. C., Finchley Road, Hampstead, N. | 3 | |
| Washington, U.S.A., Bureau of Education | 4 | |
| Washington, U.S.A., The Volta Bureau | 1 | |
| Webb, Dr., 1, Leathwaite Road, S.W. | 16 | |
| Webb, T. E., 1, Honeywell Road, S.W. | 1 | |
| Wesselhoeft, Frederic, 25, Pilgrim Street | 1 | |
| West Surrey Photographic Society, S.W. One periodical, monthly | | |
| Women's Suffrage, National Society for | | 4 |
| Wood, Sir H. T., John Street, W.C. | | 1 |

PUBLIC LIBRARIES—REPORTS OR CATALOGUES have been received from the following :—

Aberdeen
Aston
Barrow-in-Furness
Belfast
Belfast Library and Society for Promoting Knowledge
Birkenhead
Birmingham
Blackburn
Blackpool
Bolton
Bootle
Bradford
Bristol
Burslem
Buxton
Cambridge
Cambridge University
Cardiff
Cheltenham
Chester
Chiswick
Croydon
Darwen
Derby
Dewsbury
Dudley
Dundee
Folkestone
Glasgow :—
Baillie's Institution
Mitchell Library
Stirling's and Glasgow
Gosport & Alverstoke
Great Yarmouth
Handsworth
Hanley
Harvard University, U.S.A.
Hindley
Kidderminster
Leamington
Leeds
Leicester
Liverpool
London :—
Chelsea
Clapham
Clerkenwell
Deptford Library and Club
Fulham
Hammersmith
Lewisham
Marylebone
Minet
Paddington
Rotherhithe
St.Martin-in-the-Fields
Shoreditch
West Ham
Westminster
Wimbledon
Los Angeles, California, U.S.A.
Manchester
Middlesbrough
Newcastle-upon-Tyne
Northwich
Norwich
Oldham (Lyceum)
Oxford (Bodleian)
Penge
Plymouth
Poole
Portsmouth
Preston
Richmond, Surrey
Rochdale
Runcorn
St. Louis (Mercantile Library), U.S.A.
Salford
Sheffield
Smethwick
South Shields
Southport
Stoke-upon-Trent
Swansea
Tonbridge
Toronto, Canada
Tynemouth
Watford
Wednesbury
West Bromwich
Widnes
Wolverhampton

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The following NEWSPAPERS and PERIODICALS are regularly presented, in most cases by the Publishers :—

Alliance News; Amateur Writers: Army and Navy Gazette: Battersea Herald; Bible Advocate; Bicycling News; British Architect; Brotherhood; Bullionist; Capitalist · Charity Record: China's Millions; Church Bells; Church Reformer; Civil Service Aspirant; Civil Service Competitor; Clapham Observer; Commercial World; Co-operative News; Cricket Field; Daily Chronicle; Day of Days; Deceased Seamen (Official List); Drapers' Record; Educational Times; Electrical Engineer; Electrical Plant; European Mail; Fire and Water; Fireside; Free Life; Free Russia; Gardeners' Chronicle; Gas World; Good Health: Grocers' Chronicle; Grocers' Gazette; Hand and Heart; Heretic; Home News for Australia; Home Words: Illustrated Carpenter and Builder; Illustrated Official Journal (Patents); Imperial Federation; Indian Magazine and Review; Inquirer; Insurance Mirror; Insurance Record; Insurance Spectator; Invention; Investors' Guardian; Iron; Iron and Coal Trades Review; Iron and Steel Trades Review; Labour Gazette; Liberal Unionist; Liberator; Library Review; Local Government Chronicle; Mark Lane Express; Mechanical World; Messiah's Kingdom; Metropolitan; Monthly Journal of the National Society of Professional Musicians; Mother's Treasury; Musical Herald; National Church;

National Reformer ; Natural Food ; Nature Notes ; New Church Magazine ; Norwood Press ; Oddfellows' Magazine ; "Our Own" Gazette ; Pastime ; Philanthropist ; Phonetic Journal ; Photographic Gazette ; Photographic Scraps ; Pioneer of Wisdom ; Policy Holder ; Popular Medical Monthly ; Positivist Review ; Practical Photographer ; Protestant Observer ; Public Health ; Railway Record ; Railway Review ; Schoolmistress ; Season ; South Western Star ; Spinning Wheel ; Surrey Comet ; Tailor and Cutter ; Tailoring World ; Timber ; Toilers of the Deep ; University Correspondent ; Vegetarian ; Wandsworth and Battersea District Times ; War Cry ; Zoophilist.

## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I give and bequeath, out of such part of my personal estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Commissioners for Public Libraries and Museums, for the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of London, the sum of*

*free from Legacy Duty, to be expended for the benefit of the Public Libraries of the said Parish in such manner as the Commissioners may think proper, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Commissioners shall be an effectual discharge for the same legacy.*

Donations may be intimated to the Librarian at the Central Library, Lavender Hill, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Commissioners.

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

By the Commissioners for Public Libraries and

*For the year ended the*

## RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Balance in hand at the commencement of the year... ... ... ... ... | | | | 267 | 7 | 11 |
| Amounts received from Rates ... ... | 2960 | 5 | 3 | | | |
| Fines and penalties... ... ... ... | 177 | 19 | 8 | | | |
| Sale of Catalogues ... ... ... ... | 49 | 14 | 9 | | | |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... | 18 | 1 | 6 | | | |
| Total Receipts ... ... | | | | 3206 | 1 | 2 |
| | | | | £3473 | 9 | 1 |

# AND EXPENDITURE

MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

*25th day of March*, 1893.

## EXPENDITURE.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Buildings, Repairs, and Maintenance ... | | | | 506 | 15 | 0 |
| Books, Periodicals, &c. ... ... ... | | | | 400 | 18 | 9 |
| Salaries and Remuneration of Officers and Assistants ... ... ... ... | | | | 619 | 8 | 8 |
| Establishment charges not before included | | | | 393 | 15 | 5 |
| In respect of Loans:— | | | | | | |
| Principal repaid ... ... ... | 554 | 3 | 1 | | | |
| Interest ... ... ... ... | 345 | 15 | 2 | | | |
| | | | | 899 | 18 | 3 |
| Bookbinding and Repairing ... ... | | | | 213 | 19 | 2 |
| Fire Insurance ... ... ... ... | | | | 9 | 19 | 6 |
| Interest on Overdrafts ... ... ... | | | | 5 | 13 | 0 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... . . | | | | 18 | 14 | 4 |
| Total Expenditure ... ... | | | | 3069 | 2 | 1 |
| Balances at the end of the year:— | | | | | | |
| In Treasurer's hands ... ... ... | 387 | 13 | 4 | | | |
| In hands of Secretary... ... ... | 16 | 13 | 8 | | | |
| | | | | 404 | 7 | 0 |
| | | | | £3473 | 9 | 1 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, Secretary and Librarian.

*March 25th*, 1893.

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM JUNE 7TH, 1892, TO MAY 16TH, 1893.

| NAMES. | MEETINGS OF THE BOARD. | |
|---|---|---|
| | Summoned to | Attended |
| Barnes, Howarth ... ... | 21 | 20 |
| Bray, W. T. ... ... | 21 | 13 |
| Costigan, Thomas... ... | 21 | 15 |
| Higgs, Frank ... ... | 21 | 18 |
| James, Hugh ... ... | 21 | 20 |
| Lawther, G. H. ... ... | 21 | 15 |
| Mellor, J. T. ... ... | 21 | 13 |
| Shutter, T. O. ... ... | 21 | 13 |
| Wood, Edward ... ... | 21 | 9 |

In compliance with the provisions of the Public Libraries Act, 1892, the Commissioners have settled the order of their retirement as follows:—

Messrs. Barnes, Costigan, and Shutter retire in June, 1893,

Messrs. James, Lawther, and Wood retire in June, 1894, and

Messrs. Bray, Higgs, and Mellor retire in June, 1895.

# BATTERSEA
# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## SEVENTH
## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

AND MUSEUMS

FOR THE

## Parish of St. Mary, Battersea,

1893-94.

LONDON:
TRUSLOVE & BRAY, PRINTERS, WEST NORWOOD.
1894.


TRUSLOVE
AND BRAY,
PRINTERS,
EST.D 1838
BOOKBINDERS,
PUBLISHERS,
WEST NORWOOD,
LONDON.SE

## Commissioners :

1893-94.

| | |
|---|---|
| Mr. HOWARTH BARNES, | Mr. G. H. LAWTHER. |
| Mr. W. T. BRAY, R.N. | Mr. W. J. MAY. |
| Mr. FRANK HIGGS. | Mr. J. T. MELLOR, |
| Mr. HUGH JAMES. | Mr. J. WILLIAMS, |

Mr. EDWARD WOOD, J.P.

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## Officers :

*Secretary and Librarian*—LAWRENCE INKSTER.

*Sub-Librarian*—ERNEST H. CADDIE.

*Assistants*—James L. Dougan, Philip C. Bursill, Florence North, Edith Wilkins, Wilfred E. Barnes, Horace J. Holmes, Clara L. Wheeler, Charles Preston, Leonard Philips.

*Messengers*—Jerome Moon, Sergeant T. Palmer.

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### LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH :

*Assistant-in-charge*—John F. Hogg.

*Assistant*—Cecil B. Barnes.

*Caretaker*—Alfred Gray.

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### LAMMAS HALL BRANCH :

*Assistant-in-charge*—Charles Colman.

*Assistant*—William T. Cooke.

*Caretaker*—J. S. Ellis.

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## Bankers.

Parr's Banking Company and the Alliance Bank, Limited, Battersea Branch,
30, Victoria Road, Battersea Park, S.W.

# PARISH OF BATTERSEA.

Population (1891), 150,458.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,170 acres.

Rateable value, 1894, £795,864.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

# *Seventh ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS for the Parish of St. MARY, BATTERSEA, in the Administrative County of London.*

The Commissioners beg to submit their Report for the twelve months ended May 31st, 1894.

The total number of registered borrowers is **10,566**, of whom **7,539** are enrolled at the Central Library, **1,745** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,282** at Lammas Hall.

The total number of volumes in stock is **32,981**, of which **9,242** are in the Reference Department and **12,824** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **5,072** at Lurline Gardens, and **5,843** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **1,431** volumes, **229** of these having been presented and **1,202** purchased.

The total number of volumes issued during the year was **289,240**, of which **22,756** were given out in the Reference Department and **178,936** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **49,869** at Lurline Gardens, and **37,679** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 274,991.

It will be observed, upon reference to the Financial Statement (pages 20 and 21), that the income exceeded the expenditure by £601. This result was attained by the systematic reduction of all reducible items of expenditure in order to meet the requirements of the District Auditor, who gave notice at the audit in June, 1893, that no further overdrafts would be sanctioned. The Commissioners, being thus prevented from anticipating their income, as had been their practice hitherto, by obtaining temporary advances from their bankers, had no alternative but to cut down their expenditure until the balance in hand at the close of the financial year was sufficiently large to meet all payments which would become due between that date and the receipt of the next half-year's rate. The necessity of overdrawing at the bank

was originally forced upon the Commissioners by the circumstance that during the first half-year of the Board's existence no rate was levied under the Public Libraries' Acts, and the condition of affairs then created continued until last year. The Commissioners had been aiming at the result now achieved, as a comparison of previous balance sheets will show, and had hoped to extend the necessary reduction over three or four years, but the action of the Auditor compelled them to raise their cash balance from £404 to £1,005 within the limits of a single year. As a natural consequence, their administration during the past year has been greatly hampered, and no more than £274 could be spared for the purchase of books and newspapers. However, it will now be possible to allow the annual expenditure to resume its normal level, and the Commissioners hope during the current year to be able to purchase a considerable number of new books both for the Central Library and the Branches, and to carry out certain improvements which they consider necessary for the greater comfort and convenience of readers.

The Commissioners are gratified to find that the increase in the issue of books at all the libraries during the past year has extended to the Reference Library, and they believe that this department will be still more largely used when the value and variety of its contents are better known to the public. It is their constant aim to render it as serviceable and comprehensive as their means will allow, and notwithstanding the untoward circumstances of the last twelve months considerable additions have been made to its stock. Among recent purchases may be mentioned the following :—

Audsley (G. A.) Ornamental arts of Japan. 2 vol., fo., 1882-84.
Cawston (A.) Street improvements in London, 4°, 1893.
Chappell (W.) Old English popular music. 2 vol., 8°, 1893.
Chippendale (T.) Gentleman and cabinet-maker's director. fo., n.d.
Collings (J. R.) Details of Gothic architecture. 2 vol., 4°, n.d.
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In February last an Indicator-key to the fiction in the Lending Department of the Central Library was published, and has been much appreciated by the readers.

The usual detailed statistical information, the annual financial statement, a list of donors, etc., are appended.

J. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Battersea Public Library,
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*June 1st*, 1894.

# APPENDIX.

## CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1893 ... | 8720 |
| ,, ,, added 1893-94 ... ... ... | 522 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1894 ... | 9242 |
| ,, ,, issued 1893-94 ... ... ... | 22756 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 65 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 54 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1893 .. | 12242 |
| ,, ,, added 1893-94 ... ... ... | 582 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1894 ... | 12824 |
| ,, ,, issued, 1893-94 ... ... ... | 178936 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 608 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening... ... | 20415 |
| ,, ,, ,, from June 1st, 1893, to May 31st, 1894 ... ... | 3680 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled .. ... ... ... | 12876 |
| ,, Borrowers on May 31st, 1894 ... ... | 7539 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 252 |
| ,, ,, repaired ... ... ... ... | 7145 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 217 |
| ,, damaged and replaced by Borrowers ... ... | 22 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1893-94.

| | | 1893. | Additions. | 1894. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 726 | 11 | 737 |
| „ B | Sociology ... ... ... | 369 | 40 | 409 |
| „ C | Arts and Sciences ... ... | 1033 | 166 | 1199 |
| „ D | History, Biography, and Geography ... ... ... | 2135 | 103 | 2238 |
| „ E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 369 | 23 | 392 |
| „ F | Encyclopœdias, Dictionaries, etc. ... ... ... ... | 1114 | 45 | 1159 |
| „ G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 2974 | 134 | 3108 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 8720 | 522 | 9242 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE CENTRAL LIBRARY LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1893-94.

| | | 1893. | Additions. | 1894. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 767 | 16 | 783 |
| „ B | Sociology ... ... ... | 377 | 32 | 409 |
| „ C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... .. ... | 1088 | 49 | 1137 |
| „ D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 3363 | 171 | 3534 |
| „ E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 428 | 21 | 449 |
| „ F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 4876 | 225 | 5101 |
| „ G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 1343 | 68 | 1411 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 12242 | 582 | 12824 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM JUNE 1ST, 1893, TO MAY 31ST, 1894

| MONTH. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography, and Geography. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1893. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 95 | 107 | 206 | 200 | 37 | 353 | 337 | 1335 | 30 | 44 |
| July | 35 | 65 | 129 | 95 | 10 | 144 | 212 | 690 | 17 | 41 |
| August | 72 | 77 | 299 | 206 | 27 | 302 | 366 | 1349 | 31 | 43 |
| September | 106 | 67 | 337 | 295 | 43 | 429 | 714 | 1991 | 30 | 66 |
| October | 99 | 87 | 461 | 341 | 77 | 447 | 1109 | 2621 | 31 | 84 |
| November | 124 | 72 | 379 | 281 | 83 | 434 | 953 | 2326 | 30 | 77 |
| December | 85 | 70 | 367 | 273 | 55 | 474 | 661 | 1985 | 30 | 66 |
| 1894. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 100 | 78 | 415 | 382 | 64 | 371 | 1107 | 2517 | 31 | 81 |
| February | 158 | 77 | 344 | 314 | 45 | 397 | 917 | 2252 | 28 | 80 |
| March | 112 | 103 | 378 | 309 | 51 | 354 | 869 | 2176 | 31 | 70 |
| April | 115 | 83 | 320 | 214 | 37 | 310 | 658 | 1737 | 30 | 58 |
| May | 209 | 121 | 377 | 232 | 18 | 299 | 521 | 1777 | 31 | 57 |
| Totals .. | 1310 | 1007 | 4012 | 3142 | 547 | 4314 | 8424 | 22756 | 350 | 65 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 P.M. TO 9 P.M.) 1893-94.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Issue (June 1st, 1893, to May 31st, 1894) .. .. .. | 1868 |
| Sundays open .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 50 |
| Average Sunday Issue .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 37 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1893, TO MAY 31ST, 1894.

| MONTH. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, & Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, & Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1893. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 145 | 52 | 438 | 651 | 98 | 9076 | 348 | 10808 | 25 | 432 |
| July | 78 | 35 | 344 | 443 | 79 | 7168 | 222 | 8369 | 14 | 598 |
| August | 148 | 56 | 530 | 820 | 142 | 11671 | 416 | 13783 | 26 | 530 |
| September | 171 | 82 | 681 | 1117 | 166 | 12897 | 548 | 15662 | 26 | 602 |
| October | 164 | 112 | 731 | 1161 | 168 | 12809 | 522 | 15667 | 26 | 602 |
| November | 184 | 129 | 681 | 1178 | 176 | 12359 | 565 | 15272 | 26 | 587 |
| December | 184 | 98 | 609 | 1092 | 159 | 12220 | 496 | 14858 | 24 | 619 |
| 1894. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 178 | 125 | 753 | 1279 | 190 | 14114 | 586 | 17225 | 27 | 638 |
| February | 190 | 121 | 697 | 1211 | 170 | 14380 | 459 | 17228 | 24 | 718 |
| March | 178 | 84 | 712 | 1195 | 162 | 15348 | 508 | 18187 | 25 | 727 |
| April | 148 | 74 | 637 | 1008 | 148 | 13451 | 478 | 15944 | 25 | 638 |
| May | 145 | 88 | 601 | 1058 | 130 | 13480 | 431 | 15933 | 26 | 613 |
| Totals .. | 1913 | 1056 | 7414 | 12213 | 1788 | 148973 | 5579 | 178936 | 294 | 608 |

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*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1893 ... | 4847 |
| ,, ,, added 1893-94 ... .. ... | 225 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1894 ... | 5072 |
| ,, ,, issued 1893-94 ... ... ... | 49869 |
| Daily average . . ... ... ... ... ... | 169 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 3976 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, June 1st, 1893 ... | 844 |
| ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1894 ... | 1745 |
| ,, ,, tickets cancelled... ... ... | 2231 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 243 |
| ,, ,, lost and replaced by Borrowers ... | 14 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1893-94.

| | | 1893. | Additions. | 1894. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 187 | 8 | 195 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 113 | 7 | 120 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 290 | 48 | 338 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1091 | 52 | 1143 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 237 | 7 | 244 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 2528 | 97 | 2625 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 401 | 6 | 407 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 4847 | 225 | 5072 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1893, TO MAY 31ST, 1894

| MONTH. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography, Geography, & Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1893. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 11 | 11 | 62 | 139 | 24 | 2709 | 45 | 3001 | 25 | 120 |
| July | 12 | 9 | 37 | 105 | 14 | 2047 | 39 | 2263 | 14 | 162 |
| August | 17 | 9 | 73 | 184 | 24 | 3249 | 53 | 3609 | 26 | 139 |
| September | 19 | 22 | 73 | 227 | 27 | 3960 | 79 | 4407 | 26 | 170 |
| October | 15 | 14 | 77 | 258 | 27 | 3991 | 90 | 4472 | 26 | 172 |
| November | 16 | 16 | 73 | 271 | 25 | 4006 | 84 | 4491 | 26 | 173 |
| December | 18 | 14 | 92 | 273 | 22 | 3741 | 101 | 4261 | 24 | 178 |
| 1894. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 35 | 17 | 69 | 296 | 35 | 4467 | 97 | 5016 | 27 | 186 |
| February | 34 | 16 | 58 | 212 | 37 | 4099 | 71 | 4527 | 24 | 189 |
| March | 25 | 14 | 74 | 201 | 41 | 4396 | 64 | 4815 | 25 | 193 |
| April | 31 | 16 | 89 | 205 | 30 | 4070 | 79 | 4520 | 25 | 181 |
| May | 21 | 6 | 58 | 223 | 22 | 4107 | 50 | 4487 | 26 | 173 |
| Totals .. | 254 | 164 | 835 | 2594 | 328 | 44842 | 852 | 49869 | 294 | 169 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH,

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1893 ... | 5741 |
| ,, ,, added 1893-94 ... ... . . | 102 |
| ,, ,, in Stock May 31st, 1894 ... | 5843 |
| ,, ,, issued 1893-94 ... ... ... | 37679 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 128 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since Opening ... | 7404 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, June 1st, 1893... | 1218 |
| ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1894 ... | 1282 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 91 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 133 |
| ,, damaged and replaced by Borrowers ... ... | 2 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1893-94.

| | | 1893. | Additions. | 1894. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 407 | — | 407 |
| ,, B | Law, Politics, and Sociology | 160 | 2 | 162 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 427 | 3 | 430 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1131 | 7 | 1138 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 242 | 3 | 245 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... .. | 2934 | 84 | 3018 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 440 | 3 | 443 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 5741 | 102 | 5843 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM JUNE 1ST, 1893, TO MAY 31ST, 1894.

| MONTH. | Theology and Philosophy. | Law, Politics, and Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, & Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1893. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 18 | 2 | 31 | 72 | 15 | 2000 | 30 | 2168 | 25 | 86 |
| July | 17 | 4 | 38 | 67 | 16 | 1559 | 21 | 1722 | 14 | 123 |
| August | 26 | 4 | 57 | 114 | 13 | 2709 | 40 | 2963 | 26 | 113 |
| September | 30 | 11 | 74 | 125 | 13 | 3048 | 72 | 3373 | 26 | 129 |
| October | 24 | 6 | 65 | 110 | 16 | 3004 | 30 | 3255 | 26 | 125 |
| November | 30 | 6 | 55 | 152 | 20 | 2855 | 37 | 3155 | 26 | 121 |
| December | 16 | 7 | 62 | 162 | 37 | 2816 | 56 | 3156 | 24 | 131 |
| 1894. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 23 | 17 | 80 | 203 | 16 | 3338 | 76 | 3753 | 27 | 139 |
| February | 37 | 12 | 89 | 184 | 23 | 3103 | 54 | 3502 | 24 | 145 |
| March | 21 | 6 | 76 | 159 | 29 | 3359 | 61 | 3711 | 25 | 148 |
| April | 10 | 14 | 72 | 141 | 29 | 3092 | 51 | 3409 | 25 | 136 |
| May | 20 | 9 | 73 | 164 | 23 | 3176 | 47 | 3512 | 26 | 135 |
| Totals .. | 272 | 98 | 772 | 1653 | 250 | 34059 | 575 | 37679 | 294 | 128 |

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| Amounts received from Rates ... ... | 3020 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| Fines and Penalties ... ... ... | 169 | 6 | 6 | | | |
| Sale of Catalogues ... ... ... ... | 40 | 19 | 2 | | | |
| Bankers' Interest ... ... ... ... | 4 | 14 | 6 | | | |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... | 10 | 19 | 8 | | | |
| Total Receipts ... ... | | | | 3245 | 19 | 10 |
| | | | | £3650 | 6 | 10 |

I hereby certify that I have compared the entries in this Financial Statement with the Statement have been duly complied with.

I hereby further certify that I have ascertained by Audit the correctness of such State- of March, 1894, included in such Statement, and allowed by me at the Audit, is Two Thousand

## AND EXPENDITURE

MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,

*25th day of March, 1894.*

### EXPENDITURE.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Buildings, Repairs, and Maintenance ... | | | | 475 | 17 | 7 |
| Books, Periodicals, &c. .. ... ... | | | | 274 | 3 | 10 |
| Salaries and Remuneration of Officers and Assistants ... ... ... .. | | | | 703 | 17 | 4 |
| Establishment Charges not before included | | | | 183 | 2 | 8 |
| In respect of Loans :— | | | | | | |
| Principal repaid ... ... ... | 554 | 6 | 8 | | | |
| Interest ... ... ... ... | 326 | 7 | 3 | | | |
| | | | | 880 | 13 | 11 |
| Bookbinding and Repairing .. .. | 80 | 14 | 10 | | | |
| Fire Insurance ... .. ... ... | 9 | 19 | 6 | | | |
| Law Charges ... ... ... ... | 11 | 3 | 6 | | | |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... | 25 | 3 | 5 | | | |
| | | | | 127 | 1 | 3 |
| Total Expenditure ... | | | | 2644 | 16 | 7 |
| Balances at the end of the year :— | | | | | | |
| In Treasurer's hands ... ... ... | 977 | 12 | 1 | | | |
| In hands of Secretary... ... ... | 27 | 18 | 2 | | | |
| | | | | 1005 | 10 | 3 |
| | | | | £3,650 | 6 | 10 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Secretary and Librarian.*
*March 26th, 1894.*

Vouchers and other Documents relating thereto, and that the Regulations with respect to such

ment, and that the amount expended by the Commissioners during the year ended the 25th day Six Hundred and Forty-four Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Seven Pence.

As witness my hand this 17th day of April, 1894.

T. BARCLAY COCKERTON,
*District Auditor.*

STATEMENT WITH REFERENCE TO LOANS OBTAINED BY MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH

*For the year ended the*

| No. | PURPOSE OF LOAN. | Amount sanctioned to be borrowed. | Date of Sanction. | Period authorized for Repayment. | Amounts originally borrowed. | Date of original borrowing. | Rate of Interest payable on Loan outstanding. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | £ | | | £ | | £ |
| 1 | Purchase of site for Central Library | 3000 | 29 March, 1888 | 50 yrs. | 3000 | 28 June, 1888 | 3½ |
| 2 | Erection of two Library Buildings | 8350 | 16 Feb., 1889 | 30 yrs. | 8350 | 24 May, 1889 | 3½ |
| 3 | Purchase of Books & Furniture for two Libraries | 2650 | 16 Feb., 1889 | 10 yrs. | 2650 | 24 May, 1889 | 3½ |
| | TOTALS ... | 14000 | | | 14000 | | |

# ACCOUNT.

THE COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

*25th day of March, 1894.*

| Mode of Repayment. | Amount of Principal owing at the commencement of the Year. | Amounts paid this Year, not including Payments to or Repayments out of Sinking Fund. | | Amount of Principal owing at the end of the Year. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Principal. | Interest. | |
| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| £60 per annum, now £11 per annum | 506 0 0 | 11 0 0 | 17 8 7 | 495 0 0 |
| £278 6*s.* 8*d.* per annum | 7236 13 4 | 278 6 8 | 253 5 8 | 6958 6 8 |
| £265 per annum | 1590 0 0 | 265 0 0 | 55 13 0 | 1325 0 0 |
| | 9332 13 4 | 554 6 8 | 326 7 3 | 8778 6 8 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Secretary and Librarian.*
*March 26th, 1894.*

Examined by me and found correct, 17th day of April, 1894,
T. BARCLAY COCKERTON, *District Auditor.*

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM JUNE 6TH, 1893, TO MAY 22ND, 1894.

| NAMES. | MEETINGS OF THE BOARD AND COMMITTEES. | |
|---|---|---|
| | Summoned to | Attended |
| Barnes, Howarth ... ... | 21 | 15 |
| Bray, W. T. ... .. | 21 | 14 |
| Higgs, Frank ... ... | 21 | 17 |
| James, Hugh ... ... | 24 | 22 |
| Lawther, G. H. ... ... | 23 | 20 |
| May, W. J. ... ... | 29 | 24 |
| Mellor, J. T. . . ... | 23 | 10 |
| Williams, John ... ... | 31 | 26 |
| Wood, Edward ... ... | 21 | 7 |

In compliance with the provisions of the Public Libraries Act, 1892, the Commissioners have settled the order of their retirement as follows:—

Messrs. James, Lawther, and Wood retire in June, 1894,

Messrs. Bray, Higgs, and Mellor retire in June, 1895, and

Messrs. Barnes, May, and Williams retire in June, 1896.

# BATTERSEA
# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## EIGHTH
## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

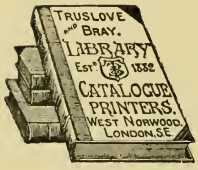
COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES
AND MUSEUMS

FOR THE

## Parish of St. Mary, Battersea,

1894-95.

LONDON:
TRUSLOVE & BRAY, PRINTERS, WEST NORWOOD.
1895.


TRUSLOVE
AND BRAY.
LIBRARY
Est 1332
CATALOGUE
PRINTERS.
WEST NORWOOD.
LONDON.SE

## Commissioners:

1894–95.

Mr. HOWARTH BARNES.
Mr. W. T. BRAY, R.N.
Mr. DAVID EVANS.
Mr. FRANK HIGGS.
Mr. HUGH JAMES.
Mr. W. J. MAY.
Mr. J. T. MELLOR.
Mr. JOHN SAYER.
Mr. J. WILLIAMS.

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## Officers:

*Secretary and Librarian*—LAWRENCE INKSTER.

*Sub-Librarian*—ERNEST H. CADDIE.

*Assistants*—James L. Dougan, Philip C. Bursill, Florence North, Edith Wilkins, Wilfred E. Barnes, Horace J. Holmes, Clara L. Wheeler, Harry R. Peters, Ernest E. Cope, George A. Hill.

*Messengers*—Jerome Moon, Sergeant T. Palmer.

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## LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH:

*Assistant-in-charge*—John F. Hogg.

*Assistant*—Cecil B. Barnes.

*Caretaker*—Alfred Gray.

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## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH:

*Assistant-in-charge*—Charles Colman.

*Assistant*—Harry G. Simpson.

*Caretaker*—J. S. Ellis.

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## Bankers.

Parr's Banking Company and the Alliance Bank, Limited,
Battersea Branch,
30, Victoria Road, Battersea Park, S.W.

# PARISH OF BATTERSEA.

Population (1891), 150,458.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,170 acres.

Rateable value, May, 1895, £810,041.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

# *Eighth ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS for the Parish of St. MARY, BATTERSEA, in the Administrative County of London.*

The Commissioners beg to submit their Report for the twelve months ended May 31st, 1895.

The total number of registered borrowers is **10,363,** of whom **7,313** are enrolled at the Central Library, **1,753** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,297** at Lammas Hall.

The total number of volumes in stock is **34,460,** of which **9,961** are in the Reference Department and **13,351** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **5,257** at Lurline Gardens, and **5,891** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number **1,479** volumes, **371** of these having been presented and **1,108** purchased.

The total number of volumes issued during the year was **296,519,** of which **20,753** were given out in the Reference Department and **180,484** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **56,232** at Lurline Gardens, and **39,050** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 289,240.

It will be seen, upon reference to the Financial Statement printed in the Appendix, that during the year ended the 25th March, 1895, the income of the Commissioners amounted to £3,290 6s. 7d., and the expenditure to £3,312 14s. 4d. The finances of the Board are now in a more satisfactory condition than at the date of the last Report, and during the year covered by the Statement the large sum of £677 4s. 3d. has been devoted to the purchase of books. The following are among the chief additions to the stock of the Reference Library, which now numbers close on 10,000 volumes:—

Barrett (C. R. B.) Surrey: highways, byways, and waterways, 1895.

Bateson (Edward) Editor. History of Northumberland. Vols. 1 and 2, 4°, 1893-5.

Bayley (John) History and antiquities of the Tower of London. 2 vol., 4°, 1821-25.

Billings (R. W.) Infinity of geometric design exemplified. 4°, n.d.

Blackie's Modern cyclopedia. 8 vol., 8°, 1889-90.

Bolton (Arthur) Examples of mosaic pavings. fo., 1891.

Brassington (W. S.) History of the art of bookbinding. 8°, 1894.

Browne (J. Cave-) Lambeth Palace and its associations. 8°, 1882.

Brunet (J. C.) Manuel du libraire et de l'amateur de livres. 5 vol., 8°, 1842-44.

Campbell (John, Lord) Lives of the Chief Justices of England. 3 vol, 8°, 1849-57.

Campbell (John, Lord) Lives of the Lord Chancellors. 7 vol., 8°, 1847-8.

Canova (Antonio) Works of, in sculpture and modelling. 4°, 1876.

Cesnola (Gen. L. P. di) Cyprus. 8°, 1877

Chancellor (E. B.) History and antiquities of Richmond, Kew, Petersham, Ham, etc. 8°, 1894.

Chaucer (Geoffrey) Complete works of. Edited by Prof. Skeat. 6 vol., 8°, 1894.

Colomb (Rear-Admiral P. H.) Naval warfare. 8°, 1891.

Cussans (J. E.) History of Hertfordshire. 3 vol., fo, 1870-81.

Dent (R. K.) The making of Birmingham. 4°, 1894.

Dryden (John) Dramatic works of. With a life of the Author, by Sir Walter Scott. Edited by George Saintsbury. 18 vol., 8°, 1882-93.

Ebbetts (D. J.) Examples of decorative wrought ironwork of the 17th and 18th centuries. fo., 1879.

Edison (Thomas) Life and inventions of. By W. K. L. and A. Dickson. 8°, 1894.

Fergusson (James) History of architecture in all countries. 2 vol, 8°, 1893.

— History of Indian and Eastern architecture. 8°, 1891

— History of the modern styles of architecture. 2 vol., 8°, 1891.

Flammarion (Camille) Popular astronomy. 8°, 1894.

Foster (Joseph) Oxford men, 1880-92. 4°, 1893.

— Oxford men and their colleges. 4°, 1893.

Green (Mrs. J. R.) Town life in the fifteenth century. 2 vol., 8°, 1894.

Gwilt (Joseph) Encyclopædia of architecture. 8°, 1891.

Hall (S. C.) Baronial halls. 2 vol., fo., 1848.

Harcourt (L. F. Vernon-) Harbours and docks. 2 vol, 8°, 1885.

Jardine's Naturalist's Library. 40 vol., 12°, n.d.

Johnston's Atlas of India. 4°, 1894.

Maxwell (Sir William Stirling-) Don John of Austria. 2 vol., 8°, 1883.

Nevill (Ralph) Old cottage and domestic architecture in South-West Surrey, etc. 4°, 1891.

Ormerod (George) History of the County Palatine and City of Chester. 3 vol., fo., 1882.

Paine (Thomas) Writings of. Edited by Moncure D. Conway. Vols. 1-3, 8°, 1894-95.

Pepys (Samuel) Diary of. Edited by H. B. Wheatley. Vols. 1-5, 8°, 1893-95.

Perry (W. C.) Greek and Roman sculpture. 8°, 1882.

Phillips (Philip) The Forth Bridge in its various stages of construction, etc. fo., n.d.

Picturesque Palestine, Sinai, and Egypt. 4 vol., 4°, n.d .

Povah (Rev. Alfred) Annals of the Parishes of St. Olave, Hart Street and All Hallows, Staining, in the City of London 4°, 1894.

Raden (Woldemar) Switzerland, its mountains and valleys. 4°, 1878.

Rousselet (Louis) India and its native princes. 4°, 1878.

Sanders (W. B.) Half-timbered houses and carved oak furniture of the 16th and 17th centuries. 4°, 1894

Schliemann (Dr. Henry) Ilios : the city and country of the Trojans. 8°, 1880.

— Mycenæ. 8°, 1878.

— Tiryns. 8°, 1886.

Scott (G. G.) History of English Church architecture. 4°, 1881.

Sheppard (Edgar) Memorials of St. James's Palace. 2 vol., 8°, 1894.

Southey (Robert) Commonplace book. 4 vol., 8°, 1876.

Sowerby (J. de C.) and Lear (Edward) Tortoises, terrapins, and turtles. 4°, 1872.

Timmins (Thomas) Examples of iron roofs. 4°, 1882.

Westlake (N. H. J.) History of design in painted glass. 4 vol., 4°, 1881-94.

Wheatley (H. B.) London, past and present. 3 vol., 8°, 1891.

White (W. H ) Manual of naval architecture. 8°, 1894.

Wilmot (E. P. E.) and Streatfeild (E. C.) Charterhouse old and new. 8°, 1895.

At the request of the Vestry the Commissioners have entered into an agreement with that body for the sale of the ground at present forming the forecourt of the Central Library on Lavender Hill for the purpose of widening the

public footpath. The ground has been valued by Mr. W. Willis, of 112, Falcon Road, acting on behalf of both parties, and the Commissioners are now awaiting the sanction to the sale of the Local Government Board, who have ordered a local investigation to be made into the circumstances. When this sanction has been obtained the alterations will be carried out in accordance with plans prepared by the Parish Surveyor, Mr. J. T. Pilditch, and the result, it is believed, will be a great improvement to the thoroughfare and an unmistakable convenience to the public who use it.

A large collection of prints, illustrating places of interest and public buildings in the parish and neighbourhood, has been kindly lent by Mr. Edward Dobin, of Wimbledon, and is now on view in the Magazine Room.

A Supplement to the Catalogue of the Lurline Gardens Branch was published in November last, and a second edition of the Indicator Key of Class F (Fiction) in the Central Lending Department has just been printed.

The usual detailed statistical information, the annual financial statement, a list of donors, etc., are appended.

W. J. MAY, *Chairman.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W.

*June 1st*, 1895.

# APPENDIX.

ANNUAL ISSUES

SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

| YEAR. | Reference Library. | Lending Library. | Lurline Gardens Branch. | Lammas Hall Branch. | Total. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1888–89 | .. | .. | .. | 46403 | 46403 |
| 1889–90 | 3059 | 28293 | .. | 89473 | 120825 |
| 1890–91 | 17971 | 192766 | 25725 | 45701 | 282163 |
| 1891–92 | 15864 | 178261 | 46146 | 39387 | 279658 |
| 1892–93 | 18212 | 171558 | 47062 | 38159 | 274991 |
| 1893–94 | 22756 | 178936 | 49869 | 37679 | 289240 |
| 1894–95 | 20753 | 180484 | 56232 | 39050 | 296519 |

# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1894 ... | 9242 |
| ,, ,, added 1894-95 ... ... ... | 719 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1895 .. | 9961 |
| ,, ,, issued 1894-95 ... ... .. | 20753 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... . . | 58 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... . . ... ... | 198 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1894 ... | 12824 |
| ,, ,, added 1894-95 ... ... ... | 527 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1895 ... | 13351 |
| ,, ,, issued, 1894-95 ... ... ... | 180484 |
| Daily average ... .. ... ... ... ... | 611 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... | 24554 |
| ,, ,, ,, from June 1st, 1894, to May 31st, 1895 ... ... | 4139 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 17241 |
| ,, Borrowers on May 31st, 1895 ... ... | 7313 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 1167 |
| ,, ,, repaired ... ... ... .. | 5129 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 719 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... .. | 22 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1894-95.

| | | 1894. | Additions. | 1895. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 737 | 8 | 745 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 409 | 47 | 456 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1199 | 133 | 1332 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 2238 | 157 | 2395 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 392 | 3 | 395 |
| ,, F | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc.... .. ... ... | 1159 | 83 | 1242 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 3108 | 288 | 3396 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 9242 | 719 | 9961 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1894-95.

| | | 1894. | Additions. | 1895. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 783 | 43 | 826 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 409 | 18 | 427 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1137 | 37 | 1174 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 3534 | 193 | 3727 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 449 | 36 | 485 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... .. ... | 5101 | 111 | 5212 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 1411 | 89 | 1500 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 12824 | 527 | 13351 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM JUNE 1ST, 1894, TO MAY 31ST, 1895.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1894. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 118 | 109 | 312 | 311 | 56 | 345 | 490 | 1741 | 30 | 58 |
| July | 38 | 28 | 128 | 192 | 16 | 138 | 242 | 782 | 16 | 49 |
| August | 110 | 87 | 258 | 449 | 20 | 404 | 565 | 1893 | 31 | 61 |
| September | 123 | 84 | 377 | 583 | 29 | 337 | 528 | 2061 | 30 | 68 |
| October | 143 | 161 | 432 | 481 | 18 | 294 | 618 | 2147 | 31 | 69 |
| November | 124 | 81 | 373 | 351 | 38 | 251 | 612 | 1830 | 30 | 61 |
| December | 45 | 83 | 245 | 222 | 37 | 203 | 559 | 1394 | 30 | 46 |
| 1895. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 109 | 127 | 337 | 270 | 31 | 395 | 679 | 1948 | 31 | 62 |
| February | 132 | 74 | 250 | 355 | 40 | 276 | 496 | 1623 | 28 | 58 |
| March | 114 | 101 | 314 | 349 | 57 | 347 | 713 | 1995 | 31 | 64 |
| April | 130 | 110 | 341 | 362 | 16 | 338 | 530 | 1827 | 30 | 61 |
| May | 131 | 110 | 314 | 249 | 45 | 303 | 360 | 1512 | 31 | 48 |
| Totals .. | 1317 | 1155 | 3681 | 4174 | 403 | 3631 | 6392 | 20753 | 349 | 58 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1894-95.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Issue (June 1st, 1894, to May 31st, 1895) .. .. .. | 1610 |
| Sundays open .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 49 |
| Average Sunday Issue .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 32 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1894, TO MAY 31ST, 1895.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily Average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1894. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 104 | 60 | 465 | 827 | 105 | 10737 | 371 | 12669 | 25 | 506 |
| July | 54 | 32 | 318 | 409 | 78 | 7290 | 234 | 8415 | 14 | 601 |
| August | 126 | 63 | 512 | 867 | 122 | 12876 | 396 | 14962 | 26 | 575 |
| September | 155 | 74 | 580 | 935 | 138 | 13227 | 450 | 15559 | 25 | 622 |
| October | 155 | 94 | 692 | 1182 | 184 | 13755 | 514 | 16576 | 27 | 613 |
| November | 151 | 87 | 678 | 1152 | 180 | 13570 | 559 | 16377 | 26 | 629 |
| December | 124 | 89 | 574 | 1024 | 153 | 12444 | 519 | 14927 | 24 | 621 |
| 1895. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 156 | 111 | 625 | 1179 | 177 | 13761 | 550 | 16559 | 27 | 613 |
| February | 146 | 103 | 570 | 1223 | 175 | 12628 | 519 | 15364 | 24 | 640 |
| March | 159 | 121 | 670 | 1421 | 185 | 15088 | 607 | 18251 | 26 | 702 |
| April | 168 | 103 | 585 | 1062 | 183 | 13701 | 449 | 16251 | 24 | 677 |
| May | 139 | 79 | 511 | 883 | 102 | 12430 | 430 | 14574 | 27 | 539 |
| Totals .. | 1637 | 1016 | 6780 | 12164 | 1782 | 151507 | 5598 | 180484 | 295 | 611 |

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1894 ... | 5072 |
| ,, ,, added 1894-95 ... ... ... | 185 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1895 ... | 5257 |
| ,, ,, issued 1894-95 ... ... ... | 56232 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 190 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... .. | 5008 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, June 1st, 1894 ... | 1032 |
| ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1895 ... | 1753 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 3255 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 511 |
| ,, Books worn out and replaced by new copies | 47 |
| ,, ,, replaced by Borrowers ... .. | 3 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1894-95.

| | | 1894. | Additions. | 1895. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 195 | 11 | 206 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 120 | 5 | 125 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 338 | 25 | 363 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1143 | 40 | 1183 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 244 | 4 | 248 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... .. ... | 2625 | 90 | 2715 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 407 | 10 | 417 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 5072 | 185 | 5257 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS FROM JUNE 1ST, 1894, TO MAY 31ST, 1895.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts and Sciences. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1894. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 26 | 7 | 58 | 149 | 17 | 3379 | 46 | 3682 | 25 | 147 |
| July | 11 | 6 | 48 | 112 | 12 | 2341 | 47 | 2577 | 14 | 184 |
| August | 24 | 11 | 91 | 172 | 41 | 4155 | 55 | 4549 | 26 | 174 |
| September | 34 | 12 | 89 | 221 | 25 | 4332 | 70 | 4783 | 25 | 191 |
| October | 28 | 15 | 121 | 250 | 16 | 4750 | 87 | 5267 | 27 | 195 |
| November | 31 | 10 | 121 | 223 | 24 | 4377 | 73 | 4859 | 26 | 187 |
| December | 20 | 17 | 89 | 173 | 26 | 4216 | 72 | 4613 | 24 | 192 |
| 1895. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 30 | 16 | 132 | 212 | 18 | 4785 | 84 | 5277 | 27 | 195 |
| February | 20 | 12 | 111 | 186 | 17 | 4398 | 102 | 4846 | 24 | 202 |
| March | 26 | 15 | 136 | 230 | 47 | 5237 | 136 | 5827 | 26 | 224 |
| April | 26 | 21 | 126 | 196 | 43 | 4725 | 127 | 5264 | 24 | 219 |
| May | 27 | 18 | 97 | 161 | 30 | 4255 | 100 | 4688 | 27 | 174 |
| Totals .. | 303 | 160 | 1219 | 2285 | 316 | 50950 | 999 | 56232 | 295 | 190 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH,

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1894 ... | 5843 |
| ,, ,, added 1894-95 ... ... ... | 48 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on May 31st, 1895 ... | 5891 |
| ,, ,, issued 1894-95 ... ... .. | 39050 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... . . ... | 132 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since Opening ... | 8091 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, June 1st, 1894... | 687 |
| ,, ,, ,, on May 31st, 1895 ... | 1297 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 277 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 210 |
| ,, Replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 4 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1894-95.

| | | 1894. | Additions. | 1895. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 407 | 9 | 416 |
| ,, B | Law, Politics, and Sociology... | 162 | 2 | 164 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 430 | 5 | 435 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1138 | 5 | 1143 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 245 | 1 | 246 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... . . | 3018 | 23 | 3041 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 443 | 3 | 446 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 5843 | 48 | 5891 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM JUNE 1ST, 1894, TO MAY 31ST, 1895.

| Month. | Theology and Philosophy. | Law, Politics, and Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1894. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 18 | 8 | 47 | 125 | 29 | 2580 | 44 | 2851 | 25 | 114 |
| July | 11 | 3 | 35 | 66 | 12 | 1659 | 18 | 1804 | 14 | 128 |
| August | 21 | 6 | 63 | 141 | 22 | 3019 | 35 | 3307 | 26 | 127 |
| September | 23 | 9 | 91 | 155 | 22 | 3093 | 58 | 3451 | 25 | 138 |
| October | 28 | 11 | 52 | 148 | 31 | 3291 | 68 | 3629 | 27 | 134 |
| November | 17 | 8 | 58 | 119 | 15 | 3189 | 30 | 3436 | 26 | 132 |
| December | 26 | 6 | 60 | 105 | 27 | 3004 | 23 | 3251 | 24 | 135 |
| 1895. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 26 | 7 | 51 | 141 | 15 | 3316 | 31 | 3587 | 27 | 133 |
| February | 26 | 9 | 58 | 131 | 26 | 2952 | 34 | 3236 | 24 | 135 |
| March | 20 | 2 | 62 | 176 | 33 | 3548 | 61 | 3902 | 26 | 150 |
| April | 15 | 6 | 72 | 140 | 25 | 3187 | 52 | 3497 | 24 | 145 |
| May | 13 | 12 | 59 | 120 | 26 | 2824 | 45 | 3099 | 27 | 114 |
| Totals .. | 244 | 87 | 708 | 1567 | 283 | 35662 | 499 | 39050 | 295 | 132 |

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Accountants and Auditors, Society of .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Anonymous .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | 1 |
| Arbitration and Peace Association, International, 40 and 41, Outer Temple, Strand, W.C. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Barker, A. W., 116, Sabine Road, S.W. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Battersea Vestry .. .. .. .. .. .. (and 3 copies of Minutes of Proceedings and Agenda, as issued). | 4 | 4 |
| Bell, Mackenzie, c/o Messrs. Ward, Lock & Bowden, Ltd., Warwick House, Dorset Buildings, E.C. .. .. | 1 | |
| Board of Trade (Labour Department) .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Bocking, J. W., Portslade Road, S.W., "The Country Times" Newspaper, January-April, 1830. | | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the .. .. .. .. | 28 | |
| Brockell, T. H., 8, Courtland Terrace, Kensington, W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Browitt, J. S., 117, Mallinson Road, S.W. .. .. .. | 13 | |
| Brown, J. G., 9, Baskerville Road, S.W. Print of "Undertakers regaling themselves at Death's door, Battersea Rise, Surry," with verses. | | |
| Browning Society, Committee of the .. .. .. | 8 | |
| Burns, John, M.P., 108, Lavender Hill, S.W. .. .. (and Parliamentary Publications). | 19 | 35 |
| Bursill, J. F., 23, Bennerley Road, S.W. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Buss, H., 89, Uxbridge Road, Ealing, W. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Caddie, Ernest H., 41, Sugden Road, S.W. .. .. | 1 | |
| Campbell, J. T., 26, Townshend Road, Regent's Park, N.W. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 11 | |
| Capper, H. D. (R.N.), 50, Leathwaite Road, S.W. .. | 4 | |
| Carnegie, Andrew, Buckhurst Park, Withyham, Sussex .. | 1 | 2 |
| Cassell & Co., Messrs., La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Hill, E.C. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Chatham & Co., Messrs., 5, Henrietta Street, Covent Garden, W.C. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Cheetham, Mr., c/o Messrs. Methuen & Co., 18, Bury Street, W.C. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 8 | |
| Clarke, Rev. Canon, 6, Altenburg Gardens, S.W. .. .. | 34 | 2 |
| Clarke, W. J., 53, Arthur Street, S.W. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Clark's Civil Service Annual, The Publishers of, 2 and 3, Chancery Lane, W.C. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Curtice, Edward, 221, High Holborn, W.C. .. .. | 1 | |
| Cust, R. N., 63, Elm Park Gardens, S.W. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Dale & Reynolds, Messrs., 24, Wellington Street, W.C. .. | 1 | |
| Derby, Mary, Countess of, Holwood, Beckenham, Kent.. | 2 | |
| Elgood, Rev. J. C., 31, Kilburn Priory, Kilburn, N.W. .. | 1 | |
| Fairbairn, Mrs. H., 14, Brynmaer Road, S.W. .. .. | 1 | |
| Fitzgerald, Mrs. P. F., 75, Chester Square, S.W. .. .. | 1 | |
| Gillett, B. F., 8, Strathblaine Road, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Gray, W. R., Lombard Court, E.C. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Great Eastern Railway Company .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Green, F. E., 20, Peak Hill, Sydenham, S.E. .. .. | 1 | |
| Hampton, W., 46, Southampton Buildings, W.C. .. .. | 1 | |
| Harrison & Co., Ltd., Messrs., Blomfield Street, E.C. .. | 1 | |
| Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass., U.S.A. .. .. | | 1 |
| H.M. Stationery Office, The Controller of, Princes Street, Westminster, S.W. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Hills, Dr. A. P., "Carlton House." Prince of Wales Road, S.W. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| "Home Words," Editor of, 7, Paternoster Square, E.C. .. | 1 | |
| Horncastle's Manual, The Publishers of, 61, Cheapside, E.C. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Irish Unionist Alliance, Executive Committee of the .. | 4 | |
| Isle of Man Steam Packet Co., Ltd. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Kent & Matthews, Messrs., Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical weekly (4 copies). | | |
| Knowles, J. H., 15, Rush Hill Road, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| London, Corporation of the City of .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| London County Council .. .. .. .. .. (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued). | 2 | |
| Lowry, Rev. S. C., "North Holmwood," Dorking .. | 1 | |
| Mann, Mrs., 98, Bolingbroke Grove, Wandsworth Common, S.W. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. (Donation of One Guinea). | 38 | |
| Marion & Co., Messrs., 22 and 23, Soho Square, W. .. | 2 | |
| Mitchell, Messrs. C. & Co., 12 and 13, Red Lion Court, E.C. | 1 | |
| Morgan, W., 25, Octavia Street, Battersea. Two periodicals weekly. | | |
| Muybridge, Eadweard, "The Chestnuts," Kingston-on-Thames .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| New South Wales, Agent-General for .. .. .. | | 1 |
| New Zealand, Agent-General for .. .. .. .. | | 4 |
| North British Railway .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Parrott, C. H., 56, Elspeth Road, S.W. .. .. .. (and periodicals) | 7 | |
| Platt, James, Junr., 77 and 78, St. Martin's Lane, W.C. .. | 3 | |
| Public Health, Council of the British Institute of .. | 1 | |
| Rationalist Press Committee, The .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Rawlings, Edward, "Richmond House," Wimbledon Common, S.W. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Redfern, P., 1A, Riley Street, Chelsea, S.W. .. .. | | 1 |
| Redgrave, Mrs. R., 27, Hyde Park Gate, Kensington, S.W. | 1 | |
| Robson, William, c/o Elliot Stock, 62, Paternoster Row, Row, E.C. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| St. Martin-in-the-Fields, Vestry of, per Thomas Mason, Librarian, St. Martin-in-the-Fields Public Library .. | 1 | |
| Sayer, John, 8, Elspeth Road, S.W. Two periodicals monthly. | | |
| School Board for London .. .. .. .. .. (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued). | 6 | |
| South London Entomological and Natural History Society | 3 | |
| Sunday Society, The .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 3 |
| Tasmania, Agent-General for .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Tattersall, Edward, 29, Kersley Street, S.W. One periodical monthly (3 copies). | | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, Newspapers, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Thomas, J. W., 6, Elspeth Road, S.W. and one periodical monthly. | 3 | |
| Trinity College, London, Registrar of | 1 | |
| United Kingdom Alliance (London Auxiliary), 15 Great George Street, Westminster. S.W. | | 1 |
| University Correspondence College Press, 32, Red Lion Square, Holborn, W.C. | 2 | |
| Unwin, Mrs., per Mr. J. S Browitt, 117, Mallinson Road, S.W. Framed print of Battersea Church and the Old Bridge. | | |
| Victoria, Agent-General for | 3 | |
| Vivisection, Society for the Abolition of | | 11 |
| Voysey, Rev. C., "St. Valery," Finchley Road, Hampstead, N.W. | 2 | |
| Washington, U.S.A , Bureau of Education | 2 | 2 |
| Washington, U.S.A. Department of Agriculture | | 7 |
| Washington, U.S.A., Smithsonian Institution | | 1 |
| Webb, T. E., Durham Road, Wimbledon, S.W. | 1 | |
| Webster, Mrs. C. A., 90, Angell Road, S.W. | 9 | |
| West, B. B., c/o Messrs. Longmans, Green & Co. | 1 | |
| Westcott, R., 7, Varden's Road, S.W. | 79 | |
| Whittingham, Messrs. Charles & Co., Took's Court, Chancery Lane, W.C. | 1 | |
| Williams, Messrs. Paul & Co., King William Street, E.C. | 1 | |
| Wilson, J. Veitch, 8, Earlsfield Boad, S.W. "The Times" (weekly edition) 1877—May 10th, 1895 | 18 | |
| Woman's Suffrage Calendar, Editor of, 10, Great College Street, Westminster, S.W. | | 1 |
| Wood, R. H., 33, Mossbury Road, S.W. One periodical weekly (3 copies) | | |
| Woods, T., 5, Haines Street, S.W. One periodical monthly | | |
| Woollen, Henry, 41, Elspeth Road, S.W. Eight School Charts. | | |

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Aberdeen
Aguilar, New York, U.S.A.
Ashton-under-Lyne
Aston
Ayr
Barking
Barrow-in-Furness
Belfast
Birmingham
Bolton
Bootle
Boston, U.S.A.
Bournemouth
Bradford
Brentford
Brighton
Bromley
Buxton
Cambridge
Cambridge University
Cardiff
Carlisle
Cheltenham
Chester
Chicago, U.S.A.
Chiswick
Clitheroe
Croydon
Darwen
Derby
Dewsbury
Doncaster
Ealing
Edinburgh
Falmouth
Folkestone
Glasgow (Baillie's Institution)
Glasgow (Stirling's & Glasgow)
Gosport and Alverstoke
Great Yarmouth
Hanley
Hindley
Hove
Kidderminster
Leamington
Leeds
Leek
Leicester
Leyton
Liverpool
London :—
Chelsea
Clapham
Clerkenwell
Fulham
Hammersmith
Holborn
Lewisham
Poplar
Rotherhithe
St. George, Hanover Square
St. Giles
St. Martin-in-the-Fields
Shoreditch
Southwark (St. Saviour's)
Stoke Newington
Streatham
Westminster
Whitechapel
Longton
Los Angeles, California, U.S.A.
Manchester
Middlesbrough
Nottingham
Newcastle-under-Lyme
Newcastle-upon-Tyne
Oldbury
Oldham (Lyceum)
Oxford (Bodleian)
Plymouth
Preston
Richmond (Surrey)
Rochdale
Runcorn
St. Helen's
St. Louis (Mercantile Library) U.S.A.
Salford
Salisbury
Sheffield
Smethwick
South Shields
Southampton
Stafford
Sunderland
Toronto, Canada
Twickenham
Tynemouth
Watford
West Bromwich
Whitehaven
Widnes
Willesden
Wimbledon
Wolverhampton
Worcester
York

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The following NEWSPAPERS and PERIODICALS are regularly presented, in most cases by the Publishers :—

Admiralty and Horse Guards' Gazette ; Alliance News ; Animals' Guardian ; Army and Navy Gazette ; Battersea Herald ; Bicycling News ; British Architect ; British Protestant ; Bullionist ; Canadian Gazette ; Capitalist ; Charity Record ; China's Millions ; Church Bells ; Church Reformer ; Civil Service Aspirant ; Civil Service Competitor ; Clapham Observer ; Clarion ; Clark's Civil Service Examiner and Guide ; Commercial World ; Concord ; Contract Journal ; Contractor ; Co-Operative News ; Daily Chronicle ; Day of Days ; Deceased Seamen (Official List) ; Drapers' Record ; Drapery World ; Educational Times ; Electrical Engineer ; Electrical Plant ; Employment Gazette ; Engineering Review ; Estates Gazette ; European Mail ; Fire and Water ; Fireside ; Folkestone up to date ; Foreign Languages Made Easy ; Free Life ; Free Russia ; Free Sunday Advocate ; Gardeners' Chronicle ; Gas World ; Good Health ; Grocers' Chronicle ; Grocers' Gazette ; Grocers' Journal ; Hand and Heart ; Hearts of Oak

Review ; Heretic ; Home ; Home News for Australia ; Home Words ; Illustrated Carpenter and Builder ; Illustrated Official Journal (Patents) ; Imperial Federation ; Imperial Institute Journal ; Independent Forester ; Indian Magazine and Review ; Industries and Iron ; Inquirer ; Insurance Mirror ; Insurance Record ; Insurance Spectator ; Invention ; Inventors' Review ; Investors' Guardian ; Iron ; Iron and Coal Trades Review ; Iron and Steel Trades Review ; Journal of State Medicine ; Journal of the Clerks of Works Association of Great Britain ; Keyboard and Popular Musical Educator ; Labour Gazette ; Liberal ; Liberal Unionist ; Liberator ; Licensing World and Licensed Trade Review ; Local Government Chronicle ; London Labour List ; Mark Lane Express ; Mechanical World ; Medium and Daybreak ; Messiah's Kingdom ; Metropolitan ; Monthly Journal of the National Society of Professional Musicians ; Mother's Treasury ; Musical Herald ; National Church ; National Reformer ; Natural Food ; Naturalists' Journal ; Nature Notes ; New Church Magazine ; Norwood Press ; "Our Own" Gazette ; People's Weekly ; Philanthropist ; Phonetic Journal ; Pioneer of Wisdom ; Policy Holder ; Positivist Review ; Practical Photographer ; Protestant Observer ; Railway Record ; Railway Review ; Railway Signal ; Rechabite and Temperance Magazine ; Rural World ; Sanitary Record ; Schoolmaster ; Schoolmistress ; Scots Magazine and British Federalist ; Season ; South Eastern Herald ; South Western Star ; South Western World ; Spinning Wheel ; Student's Journal (Phonography) ; Surrey Comet ; Tailor and Cutter ; Tailoring World ; Technical World ; Temperance Companion ; Timber ; University Correspondent ; Vegetarian ; Wandsworth and Battersea District Times ; War Cry ; Wheeling ; Zoophilist.

## FORM OF BEQUEST

*I give and bequeath, out of such part of my personal estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Commissioners for Public Libraries and Museums, for the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of London, the sum of*

*free from Legacy Duty, to be expended for the benefit of the Public Libraries of the said Parish in such manner as the Commissioners may think proper, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Commissioners shall be an effectual discharge for the same legacy.*

Donations may be intimated to the Librarian at the Central Library, Lavender Hill, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Commissioners.

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM JUNE 5TH, 1894, to MAY 21ST, 1895.

| Names. | Meetings of the Board and Committees. | |
|---|---|---|
| | Summoned to | Attended |
| Barnes, Howarth ... ... | 23 | 18 |
| Bray, W. T. ... ... | 22 | 16 |
| Evans, David ... ... | 22 | 20 |
| Higgs, Frank ... ... | 23 | 13 |
| James, Hugh ... ... | 24 | 17 |
| May, W. J. ... ... | 24 | 16 |
| Mellor, J. T. ... ... | 22 | 0 |
| Sayer, John ... ... | 23 | 14 |
| Williams, John ... ... | 23 | 15 |

In compliance with the provisions of the Public Libraries Act, 1892, the Commissioners have settled the order of their retirement as follows :—

Messrs. Bray, Higgs, and Mellor retire in June, 1895,

Messrs. Barnes, May, and Williams retire in June, 1896, and

Messrs. Evans, James, and Sayer retire in June, 1897.

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

By the Commissioners for Public Libraries and

*For the year ended the*

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## RECEIPTS.

| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
|---|---|---|
| To Balance in hand, 25th March, 1894 | | 1005 10 3 |
| ,, Amounts received from Rates :— | | |
| From Rates levied with and as part of the Poor Rates... ... | 3070 17 5 | |
| ,, Fines and Penalties ... ... | 166 10 1 | |
| ,, Sale of Catalogues ... ... ... | 36 5 2 | |
| ,, Bankers' Interest ... ... ... | 2 14 11 | |
| ,, Donation ... ... ... ... | 1 1 0 | |
| ,, Miscellaneous ... ... ... | 12 18 0 | |
| Total Receipts ... ... | | 3290 6 7 |
| | | £4295 16 10 |

I hereby certify that I have compared the entries in this Financial Statement with the Statement have been duly complied with.

I hereby further certify that I have ascertained by Audit the correctness of such State- of March, 1895, included in such Statement, and allowed by me at the Audit, is Three Thousand

# AND EXPENDITURE

MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,

*25th day of March, 1895.*

## EXPENDITURE.

| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
|---|---|---|
| By Buildings, Repairs, and Maintenance | | 590 12 6 |
| ,, Books, Periodicals, &c. ... ... | | 1033 7 4 |
| ,, Salaries and Remuneration of Officers and Assistants ... ... ... | | 733 12 4 |
| ,, Establishment charges not before included ... ... ... ... | | 69 14 6 |
| ,, In respect of Loans :— | | |
| Principal repaid... ... ... | | 554 6 8 |
| Interest ... ... ... ... | | 306 19 0 |
| ,, Fire Insurance... ... ... ... | | 9 19 6 |
| ,, Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... | | 14 2 6 |
| Total Expenditure... ... | | 3312 14 4 |
| By Balances at the end of the year :— | | |
| Treasurer ... ... ... | 934 9 5 | |
| Secretary ... ... ... | 48 13 1 | |
| | | 983 2 6 |
| | | £4295 16 10 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Secretary and Librarian.*
*March 26th, 1895.*

Vouchers and other Documents relating thereto, and that the Regulations with respect to such

ment, and that the amount expended by the Commissioners during the year ended the 25th day Three Hundred and Twelve Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Four Pence.

As witness my hand this 9th day of April, 1895.

T. BARCLAY COCKERTON,
*District Auditor.*

STATEMENT WITH REFERENCE TO LOANS OBTAINED BY MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH

*For the Year ended the*

| No. | PURPOSE OF LOAN. | Amount sanctioned to be borrowed. | Date of Sanction. | Period Authorized for Repayment. | Amounts originally borrowed. | Date of original borrowing. | Rate of Interest payable on Loan outstanding. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | £ | | | £ | | £ |
| 1 | Purchase of site for Central Library | 3000 | 29 March, 1888 | 50 yrs. | 3000 | 28 June, 1888 | 3½ |
| 2 | Erection of two Library Buildings | 8350 | 16 Feb., 1889 | 30 yrs. | 8350 | 24 May, 1889 | 3½ |
| 3 | Purchase of Books & Furniture for two Libraries | 2650 | 16 Feb., 1889 | 10 yrs. | 2650 | 24 May, 1889 | 3½ |
| | TOTALS ... | 14000 | | | 14000 | | |

# ACCOUNT.

THE COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

*25th day of March, 1895.*

| Mode of Repayment. | Amount of Principal owing at the commencement of the Year. | Amounts paid this Year, not including Payments to or Repayments out of Sinking Fund. | | Amount of Principal owing at the end of the Year. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Principal. | Interest. | |
| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| £60 per annum, now £11 per annum | 495 0 0 | 11 0 0 | 17 0 8 | 484 0 0 |
| £278 6s. 8d. per annum | 6958 6 8 | 278 6 8 | 243 10 10 | 6680 0 0 |
| £265 per annum | 1325 0 0 | 265 0 0 | 46 7 6 | 1060 0 0 |
| | 8778 6 8 | 554 6 8 | 306 19 0 | 8224 0 0 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Secretary and Librarian,*
*March 26th, 1895.*

Examined by me and found correct, 9th day of April, 1895.

T. BARCLAY COCKERTON, *District Auditor.*

## DETAILS OF EXPENDITURE, 1894-95.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Interest on Loans .. ... ... .. ... | 306 | 19 | 0 |
| Repayment of Principal ... ... ... ... | 554 | 6 | 8 |
| Salaries ... ... ... ... ... ... | 733 | 12 | 4 |
| Rent, Rates, and Taxes ... ... ... ... | 128 | 12 | 10 |
| Cleaning, Fuel, Lighting, &c. ... ... ... | 405 | 3 | 4 |
| Books ... .. ... ... .. ... | 677 | 4 | 3 |
| Newspapers and Periodicals ... ... ... | 191 | 15 | 9 |
| Binding ... ... ... ... ... ... | 139 | 0 | 4 |
| Stationery and Printing ... ... ... .. | 82 | 7 | 5 |
| Repairs, Furniture, &c. ... ... ... ... | 56 | 16 | 4 |
| Postage, Carriage, &c. ... ... ... ... | 12 | 14 | 1 |
| Fire Insurance ... ... ... ... ... | 9 | 19 | 6 |
| Advertising ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... ... | 12 | 18 | 2 |
| | £3312 | 14 | 4 |

# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## NINTH

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES

AND MUSEUMS

FOR THE

## Parish of St. Mary, Battersea,

1895-96.

LONDON:
TRUSLOVE & BRAY, PRINTERS, WEST NORWOOD.

1896.


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AND BRAY.
LIBRARY
EST 1852
CATALOGUE
PRINTERS.
WEST NORWOOD.
LONDON.SE.

## Commissioners:

1895–96.

Mr. J. W. AITKEN.
Mr. HOWARTH BARNES.
Mr. CHARLES BROWN.
Mr. DAVID EVANS.
Mr. HUGH JAMES.
Mr. C. E. MASON.
Mr. W. J. MAY.
Mr. JOHN SAYER.
Mr. J. WILLIAMS.

## Officers:

*Secretary and Librarian*—LAWRENCE INKSTER.

*Sub-Librarian*—ERNEST H. CADDIE.

*Assistants*– John F. Hogg, Florence North, Horace J. Holmes, Clara L. Wheeler, Mary E. Reilly, Frank E. Ward. Cecil B. Barnes, Harry R. Peters, George A. Hill, Robert Cooper, Walter E. Austin, Arthur Riley.

*Messengers*—Jerome Moon, Sergeant T. Palmer.

### LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Assistant-in-charge*—Charles Colman.

*Assistant*—Sidney T. Hone.

*Caretaker*—Alfred Gray.

### LAMMAS HALL BRANCH:

*Assistant-in-charge*—Wilfred E. Barnes.

*Assistant*—William Turnbull.

*Caretaker*—J. S. Ellis.

## Bankers:

Parr's Banking Company and the Alliance Bank, Limited, Battersea Branch, 30, Victoria Road, Battersea Park, S.W.

# PARISH OF BATTERSEA.

Population (1891), 150,458.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,170 acres.

Rateable value, October, 1895, £816,417.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887.

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

# *Ninth ANNUAL REPORT of the COMMISSIONERS for PUBLIC LIBRARIES and MUSEUMS for the Parish of St. MARY, BATTERSEA, in the Administrative County of London.*

The Commissioners beg to submit their Report for the period which commenced on June 1st, 1895, and terminated on March 25th, 1896, from which latter date their powers, duties and liabilities were, by an order of the Local Government Board dated November 25th, 1895, transferred to the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea.

The total number of registered borrowers is **10,626,** of whom **7,483** are enrolled at the Central Library, **1,886** at Lurline Gardens, and **1,257** at Lammas Hall.

The total number of volumes in stock is **35,860,** of which **10,520** are in the Reference Department and **13,865** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **5,476** at Lurline Gardens, and **5,999** at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 1,400 volumes, **191** of these having been presented and **1,209** purchased.

The total number of volumes issued during the ten months was **227,762,** of which **17,996** were given out in the Reference Department and **136,129** in the Lending Department of the Central Library, **44,720** at Lurline Gardens, and **28,917** at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 296,519.

In view of the termination of their existence as the governing body of the Libraries, the Commissioners think it may be of interest to briefly review the course of their operations during the nine years which have elapsed since the Public Libraries Acts were adopted in Battersea.

The vote of the ratepayers which made the Acts operative was taken on March 16th, 1887, and the first Board of Commissioners was elected by the Vestry on June 1st, in the same year, consisting of the following gentlemen, viz.:— Mr. J. C. Buckmaster, Mr. J. F. Bursill, Mr. Andrew Cameron, Rev. J. Erskine Clarke, Mr. C. Donaldson, Rev. W. Hamilton, Mr. Hugh James, Mr. John Mellor, and Mr. C. Spencer Smith, most of whom had actively participated in the movement which led to the adoption of the Acts. On June 8th Mr. Cameron was elected Chairman, and on July 20th Mr. Lawrence Inkster was appointed Secretary and Librarian. On another page is given a complete list of all the gentlemen who have at various times acted as Commissioners, with the dates of their election and retirement, and in this connection it may be pointed out that the only member of the original Board who has continued to act down to the present time is Mr. Hugh James. In length of service Mr. Howarth Barnes comes next, having been first elected in April, 1888.

No time was lost by the Commissioners in putting the Acts into effectual operation, and before any rate was levied for that purpose they had opened two reading rooms, made agreements for the acquisition of sites for the Central Library and the Lurline Gardens Branch, and commenced to purchase the books for the Lending Library at Lammas Hall.

Upon considering the requirements of the Parish, it became clear to the Commissioners that it would be necessary to provide a Central Library near Clapham Junction, which is about the geographical centre of the Parish, and two branches—one on either side of the park. It was, nevertheless apparent that the establishment of three Libraries of a satisfactory character would place a heavy burden upon the limited income produced by the Library Rate, and that only by a careful and economical policy of management, extended over many years, would it be possible to obtain results which would at once satisfy the legitimate expectations of the public and avoid the dangers of a financial breakdown.

These results the Commissioners venture to think they have achieved, and they desire at the same time to acknowledge their indebtedness to the Vestry, whose liberal donation of £2,500 was of great assistance at a time when the financial pressure was most severe.

Unlike most other parishes in London, Battersea has obtained no assistance from private benefactors of such an extent as to materially benefit its Libraries. The necessary capital expenditure had therefore to be met by loans amounting to £14,000. With this sum the sites were purchased and the buildings erected for the Central Library and the Lurline Gardens Branch, and the greater part of the books required and the necessary furniture provided. The books and furniture for Lammas Hall were purchased out of income, and that Branch was formally opened in October, 1888.

The scheme projected by the Commissioners was completed in the year 1890 by the opening of the Central Library and the Lurline Gardens Branch. The architects of these Libraries were respectively Mr. E. W. Mountford and Mr. Henry Branch, and the buildings, though unpretending in character and moderate in point of cost, have proved on the whole commodious and satisfactory.

During the nine years of their corporate existence the Commissioners have accumulated a stock of **35,860** volumes, while the recorded issues at all the Libraries have amounted to the large total of **1,817,561**. At the same time the amount of the debt has been steadily reduced from £14,000 in 1889 to £7,196 13s. 4d. in 1896, and the Central Library site will be handed over to the Vestry free from encumbrance.

In handing over their powers to the Vestry, the Commissioners consider themselves entitled to claim for their management that measure of success which is best indicated by the quiet and smooth working of the administrative machine, the extent and complexity of which are sufficiently demonstrated by the figures given above. They desire also

to record their appreciation of the prompt and sympathetic support which the Vestry has at all times given them. The relations of the two Bodies have always been most cordial, and it is gratifying to the Commissioners to know that they have enjoyed the confidence and goodwill of the Vestry, as well as of the Ratepayers generally, during the whole of their career.

The land forming the forecourt of the Central Library was purchased in January last by the Vestry upon the conditions set forth in an Order of the Local Government Board dated October 17th, 1895, for the sum of £1,005. Part of the purchase-money, viz.: £508 18s. 6d., has been devoted to the extinction of the balance of the Loan upon the Central Library site, and the remainder will be expended in such manner as the Local Government Board may direct. The work of removing the forecourt and making the necessary alterations in the building and its approaches will be completed by the Vestry during the Spring of this year.

The Commissioners cannot conclude this, their last report, without expressing their high appreciation of the admirable work that has been done by the Staff. During the whole period of the Commission the duties relating to the formation, organisation and maintenance of the Libraries have been excellently performed. In this regard their valued chief of staff, Mr. Lawrence Inkster, has won the esteem and goodwill of all who have come into close business relations with him, and he has been excellently assisted by an able and intelligent staff, amongst whom Mr. Caddie and Mr. Hogg should be specially and honourably mentioned. The Commissioners have every confidence that their successors will be able to agree with the high opinion that the Board now expresses concerning their employés.

In purchasing books for the Reference Library, the Commissioners have for some time been devoting special attention to works on Architecture, Building Construction, Decoration, Furniture, and allied subjects, in view of the

fact that the building trade is so strongly represented in Battersea, and the probability that books of the kind referred to would be useful to a large number of readers. Some of the best works on the subjects named have already been purchased, and the Commissioners believe that if this policy is steadily pursued for a few years a most valuable department will thus be created in the Reference Library, which is at present one of the largest and most important of its kind in London. Amongst the miscellaneous additions of the past year may be mentioned the following :—

Addis (W. E.) and Arnold (Thomas) Catholic Dictionary. 8°, 1893.

Ancient Chronicles. 26 vol., 4°, 1803-12.

Apocrypha. Revised Version, 1895. 8°, 1895.

Architecture Française. 6 vol., 4°, n.d.

Bailey (J. B.) Medical Institutions of London. 8°, 1895.

Bemis (E. W.) Municipal ownership of gas in the United States. 8°, 1891.

Besant (Sir Walter) Westminster. 8°, 1895.

Birch (W. de Gray) Historical Charters, &c., of the City of London. 8°, 1887.

Budge (E. A. Wallis) Life and exploits of Alexander the Great. 8°, 1896.

Butler (Joseph) Works. Edited by the Rt. Hon. W. E. Gladstone. 2 vol., 8°, 1896.

Catlin (George) North American Indians. (Coloured Plates.) 2 vol., 8°, 1841. [Reprint.]

Census of England and Wales, 1891. Tables and Index. 4 vol., fo, 1891-93.

Census of Scotland, 1891. Tables. fo, 1891.

Chambers (R.) Editor. Book of Days. 2 vol., 8°, n.d.

Cuitt (George) Ruins of the olden time. fo, 1848.

Daniell (A. E.) London City Churches. 8°, 1895.

Dasent (A. I.) History of St. James's Square. 8°, 1895.

De Rance (C. E.) Water Supply of England and Wales. 8°, 1882.

Famous Composers and their works. Edited by Paine, Thomas, and Klauser. 4 vol., 4°, 1891.

Grimm (Jacob) Teutonic mythology. Translated by J. S. Stallybrass. 4 vol., 8°, 1882-88.

Harleian Miscellany. 10 vol,, 4°, 1808-13.

Hasted (Edward) History of Kent. 4 vol., fo, 1778-99.

Hawkins (Sir John) History of music. 5 vol., 4°, 1776.

Hipkins (A. J.) Musical Instruments, historic, rare, and unique. fo, 1888.

Jewitt (Ll.) and Hall (S. C.) Stately homes of England. 2 vol., 8°, n.d.

Jones (Sir William) Works. 6 vol., 4°, 1799.

—— Works; supplemental volumes. 2 vol., 4°, 1801.

—— Life, etc., by Lord Teignmouth. 4°, 1806.

Klopstock (F. T.) Werke. 6 vol. in 3, 4°, 1798-99.

Labour laws of New Zealand. 8°, 1894.

Lewis (F. C.) Scenery of the rivers of England and Wales. fo, n.d.

London County Council. Annual Report, 1894-95, fo, 1895.

London Statistics, 1894-95. Vol. 5, fo, 1895.

Longman's Gazetteer of the World. Edited by G. G. Chisholm. 4°, 1895.

Mabinogion, The, from the Llyfr Coch o Hergest, &c. With translation by Lady Charlotte Guest. 3 vols, 8°, 1838-40

Maitland (Charles) The church in the Catacombs. 8°, 1846.

Meyrick (S. R.) Antient armour. 3 vol., fo, 1824.

Michelangelo Buonarroti, Life of. By J. A. Symonds. 2 vol., 8°, 1893.

Moltke (Count Helmuth von) The Franco-German War of 1870-71. 2 vol., 8°, 1891.

Moore (J. W.) The American Congress, 1774-1895. 8°, 1895.

Musée de Sculpture comparée du Palais du Trocadéro. 3 vol., 4°, n.d.

Nash (Joseph) Architecture of the Middle Ages. fo, 1838.

Parker (J. H.) Glossary of terms used in Architecture. 3 vol., 8°, 1850.

Penley (Aaron) English School of painting in Water Colours. fo, n.d.

Pictorial New Zealand. 8°, 1895.

Porter (Whitworth) History of the Corps of Royal Engineers. 2 vol., 8°, 1889.

Pouchet (F. A.) The Universe. 8°, n.d.

Priestley (Joseph) History and present state of electricity. 4°, 1767.

—— Vision, light, and colours. 4°, 1772.

Pugin (A. W.) Antient timber houses of the 15th and 16th centuries. 4°, 1895.

—— True principles of pointed or Christian architecture. 4°, 1895.

Rashdall (Hastings) Universities of Europe in the Middle Ages 3 vol., 8°, 1895.

Rawlinson (George) Five Great Monarchies of the Ancient Eastern World. 4 vol., 8°, 1862-67.

Registers of Ecclesfield Parish Church, York, 1558 to 1619, etc. 4°, 1878.

Richardson (C. J.) Studies from old English mansions. 4 vol., fo, 1841-48.

—— Studies of ornamental design. fo, 1851.

Richardson (W.) Monastic ruins of Yorkshire. 2 vol., fo, 1843-52.

Rimbault (E. F.) and Clinch (George) Soho, and its associations. 8°, 1895.

Schreiber (T.) Atlas of classical antiquities. Edited by W. C. F. Anderson. 4°, 1895.

Shaw (R. N.) Architectural sketches from the Continent. fo, n.d.

Sheraton (Thomas) The Cabinet-Maker and Upholsterer's Drawing Book. (Reprint of 3rd edition, 1802). 4°.

Smith (George) Historical geography of the Holy Land. 8°, 1894.

Social Science Association. Transactions, 1857-60. 4 vol., 8°, 1858-61.

Somers Tracts. 13 vol., 4°, 1809-15.

Sowerby (J. E.) and others. English botany. 13 vol., 8°, 1863-92.

Streeter (E. W.) Precious stones and gems. 8°, 1884.

Strutt (J. G.) Sylva Britannica. fo, 1826.

"The Times." Weekly Edition, 1877-1894. 18 vol. fo, 1877-94.

"The Times" Atlas. fo, 1895.

Todd (Alpheus) Parliamentary government in the British Colonies. 8°, 1894.

Traill (H. D.) Editor. Social England. 4 vol., 8°, 1894-95.

United States Consular Reports. Gas in foreign countries. 8°, 1891.

—— Streets and highways in foreign countries. 8°, 1891.

Weale (John) Editor. Christian decoration. (Early masters in stained glass). 2 vol., fo, 1846.

Wey (Francis) Rome. 4°, 1872.

Wickes (Charles) Spires and towers. 3 vol., fo, 1853-59.

Wilson (H. W.) Ironclads in action. 2 vol., 8°, 1896.

A Supplementary Catalogue of the Lending Department of the Central Library, arranged in classified form, was published in February of this year.

Arrangements have just been made which will enable Borrowers to bespeak books in the Lending Departments and thus to some extent lessen the difficulty which is often experienced in procuring new and popular works.

The usual detailed statistical information, the annual financial statement, a list of donors, etc., are appended.

D. EVANS, *Chairman.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W.
*March 25th, 1896.*

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

| YEAR. | Reference Library. | Lending Library. | Lurline Gardens Branch. | Lammas Hall Branch. | Total Issues. | Total Stock. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1888–89 | .. | .. | .. | 46403 | 46403 | 5357 |
| 1889–90 | 3059 | 28293 | .. | 89473 | 120825 | 22841 |
| 1890–91 | 17971 | 192766 | 25725 | 45701 | 282163 | 28740 |
| 1891–92 | 15864 | 178261 | 46146 | 39387 | 279658 | 30038 |
| 1892–93 | 18212 | 171558 | 47062 | 38159 | 274991 | 31550 |
| 1893–94 | 22756 | 178936 | 49869 | 37679 | 289240 | 32981 |
| 1894–95 | 20753 | 180484 | 56232 | 39050 | 296519 | 34460 |
| 1895–96 | 17996 | 136129 | 44720 | 28917 | 227762 | 35860 |

# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1895 ... | 9961 |
| ,, ,, added 1895-96 ... ... ... | 559 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1896 ... | 10520 |
| ,, ,, issued 1895-96 ... ... ... | 17996 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 64 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... ... .. ... | 239 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1895 ... | 13351 |
| ,, ,, added 1895-96 ... ... ... | 514 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1896 ... | 13865 |
| ,, ,, issued 1895-96 ... ... ... | 136129 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... | 569 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening . . | 27385 |
| ,, ,, ,, from June 1st, 1895, to March 25th, 1896 ... ... | 2431 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 4902 |
| ,, Borrowers on March 25th, 1896 ... ... | 7483 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... | 742 |
| ,, ,, repaired ... ... ... ... | 2068 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... | 782 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 20 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1895-96.

| | | 1895. | Additions. | 1896. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 745 | 11 | 756 |
| „ B | Sociology ... ... ... | 456 | 29 | 485 |
| „ C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History .. ... ... | 1332 | 89 | 1421 |
| „ D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 2395 | 121 | 2516 |
| „ E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 395 | 8 | 403 |
| „ F | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, etc. ... ... ... | 1242 | 41 | 1283 |
| „ G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 3396 | 260 | 3656 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 9961 | 559 | 10520 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1895-96.

| | | 1895. | Additions. | 1896. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 826 | 12 | 838 |
| „ B | Sociology ... ... ... | 427 | 28 | 455 |
| „ C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1174 | 102 | 1276 |
| „ D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 3727 | 217 | 3944 |
| „ E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 485 | 6 | 491 |
| „ F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 5212 | 92 | 5304 |
| „ G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 1500 | 57 | 1557 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 13351 | 514 | 13865 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM JUNE 1ST, 1895, TO MARCH 25TH, 1896.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1895. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 108 | 104 | 217 | 381 | 37 | 311 | 371 | 1529 | 30 | 50 |
| July | 27 | 65 | 230 | 180 | 32 | 184 | 280 | 998 | 17 | 58 |
| August | 99 | 69 | 367 | 379 | 37 | 317 | 657 | 1925 | 31 | 62 |
| September | 111 | 58 | 424 | 343 | 52 | 284 | 512 | 1784 | 30 | 57 |
| October | 147 | 77 | 405 | 460 | 58 | 410 | 702 | 2259 | 31 | 70 |
| November | 153 | 104 | 434 | 610 | 82 | 356 | 818 | 2557 | 30 | 85 |
| December | 96 | 57 | 325 | 401 | 75 | 167 | 691 | 1812 | 30 | 60 |
| 1896. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 148 | 43 | 368 | 379 | 67 | 135 | 661 | 1801 | 31 | 58 |
| February | 132 | 52 | 465 | 446 | 109 | 208 | 493 | 1905 | 29 | 65 |
| March | 122 | 51 | 341 | 264 | 44 | 195 | 409 | 1426 | 21 | 67 |
| Totals .. | 1143 | 680 | 3576 | 3843 | 593 | 2567 | 5594 | 17996 | 280 | 64 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1895-96.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Issue (June 2nd, 1895, to March 22nd, 1896) .. .. .. | 1560 |
| Sundays open .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 41 |
| Average Sunday Issue .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 38 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, FROM JUNE 1ST, 1895, TO MARCH 25TH, 1896.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1895. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 104 | 35 | 348 | 676 | 103 | 8196 | 258 | 9720 | 24 | 426 |
| July | 77 | 36 | 268 | 404 | 66 | 7456 | 191 | 8498 | 15 | 566 |
| August | 144 | 50 | 417 | 718 | 100 | 12671 | 430 | 14530 | 26 | 559 |
| September | 102 | 49 | 506 | 778 | 116 | 12028 | 387 | 13966 | 25 | 558 |
| October | 155 | 91 | 587 | 1001 | 161 | 12623 | 441 | 15059 | 27 | 557 |
| November | 179 | 110 | 582 | 1084 | 139 | 13203 | 444 | 15741 | 26 | 605 |
| December | 150 | 67 | 562 | 919 | 118 | 11661 | 395 | 13872 | 24 | 578 |
| 1896. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 153 | 77 | 632 | 1012 | 169 | 13386 | 366 | 15795 | 27 | 585 |
| February | 187 | 83 | 722 | 1126 | 214 | 13193 | 385 | 15910 | 25 | 636 |
| March | 147 | 67 | 580 | 841 | 130 | 10918 | 355 | 13038 | 21 | 620 |
| Totals .. | 1398 | 665 | 5204 | 8559 | 1316 | 115335 | 3652 | 136129 | 239 | 569 |

# LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

## DAILY.

Daily Chronicle
Daily Graphic
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
Globe
Journal des Débats
Morning
Morning Leader
Morning Post
Pall Mall Gazette
St. James's Gazette
Standard
Star
Times
Westminster Gazette

## WEEKLY.

Academy
*Admiralty and Horse Guards' Gazette
*Alliance News
*Army and Navy Gazette
Athenæum
*Australian Trading World
*Battersea Herald (3 copies)
*Bicycling News
Black and White
*Book Queries
*British Architect
Builder
Building News
*Bullionist
*Capitalist
*Catholic Times
*Chef
Christian World
*Church Bells
*Church Review
*Church Times
*Civil Service Aspirant
*Civil Service Competitor
*Civil Service Hints
*Clapham Observer
*Clarion
*Co-operative News
*County Gentleman
*Dalton's Weekly House and Apartment Advertiser
*Drapers' Record
*Drapery World
*Electrical Engineer
*Employment Gazette
Engineer
Engineering
*English Churchman
English Mechanic
Era
*Estates Gazette
*European Mail
Field
*Folkestone up-to-date
Fun
*Gardeners' Chronicle
*Gas World
Gentlewoman
*Graphic
*Good Health
*Grocers' Chronicle
*Grocers' Gazette
Grocers' Journal
*Home News for Australia
*Hotel
*Illustrated Carpenter and Builder
Illustrated London News
*Illustrated Official Journal (Patents)
Illustrirte Zeitung
*Industries and Iron
*Inquirer
*Insurance Record
*Invention
*Investor's Guardian
*Iron

## WEEKLY—*Continued.*

*Iron and Coal Trades Review
*Iron and Steel Trades Review
Judy
*Kensington Society
Lady
Lady's Pictorial
Lancet
Land and Water
*Licensing World and Licensed Trade Review
Literary World
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
*Local Government Chronicle
*Local Government Journal
London
*London Labour List
*Mark Lane Express
*Mechanical World
Nature
*News
*Norwood Press
Notes and Queries
*Phonetic Journal
*Policy Holder
Punch
Queen
*Railway Record
*Railway Review
Reynolds's Newspaper
*Rural World
St. James's Budget
St. Paul's
*Sanitary Record
Saturday Review
*Schoolmaster
*Schoolmistress
Sketch
*South Eastern Herald
South London Press (2 copies)
South Western Star (3 copies)
*South Western World
Speaker
Spectator
*Spinning Wheel
*Sunday Times
*Surrey Comet
*Technical World
*Temperance Companion
*Timber
Truth
*University Correspondent
*Vegetarian
Volunteer Record
*Wandsworth and Battersea District Times (3 copies)
*Weekly Dispatch
Westminster Budget
*Wheeling
Work
World

## FORTNIGHTLY.

*Charity Record
*Commercial World
*Insurance Spectator
Magasin Pittoresque

## MONTHLY.

*Animal's Friend
*Animals' Guardian
Argosy
Art Journal
Battersea Polytechnic Review
*Bimetallist
Boy's Own Paper
*British Protestant
*Canadian Gazette
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
*China's Millions
*Church Reformer
*Clark's Civil Service Examiner and Guide
*Concord
*Day of Days
*Deceased Seamen (Official List)
*Educational Times
*Electrical Plant
*Engineering Review
*Fire and Water
*Fireside
*Foreign Languages Made Easy
*Free Life
*Free Russia
*Free Sunday Advocate
Girl's Own Paper
Good Words
*Hand and Heart
*Hearts of Oak Review
*Home
*Home Words
Idler
*Imperial Federation
*Independent Forester

## MONTHLY—*Continued.*

*Indian Magazine and Review
*Insurance Mirror
*Insurance Spectator
*Inventors' Review
*Labour Gazette
*Land and Labour
Leisure Hour
*Liberal
*Liberal Unionist
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
*Medium and Daybreak
*Messiah's Kingdom
*Monthly Journal of the National Society of Professional Musicians
*Mother's Treasury
*Musical Herald
Musical Times
Myra's Journal
*National Church
*National Reformer
*Natural Food
*Naturalist's Journal
*Nature Notes
*New Church Magazine
*Orchestral Association Gazette
*" Our Own " Gazette
*Our Waifs and Strays
*Patents
*Philanthropist
*Pioneer of Wisdom
*Positivist Review
*Protestant Observer
Quiver
*Rechabite and Temperance Magazine
Review of Reviews
*St. Barnabas, Clapham Common, Parish Magazine
Season
Strand Magazine
*Tailor and Cutter
*Tailoring World
Temple Bar
*Volunteer Service Magazine
Woman at Home
Young Man
Young Woman
*Zoophilist

## REFERENCE LIBRARY.

Antiquary
Army List
Atlantic Monthly
*Baconiana
Blackwood's Magazine
Century Magazine
Contemporary Review
Cornhill Magazine
Cosmopolis
Economic Journal
Edinburgh Review
English Illustrated Magazine
Fortnightly Review
Geographical Journal
Harper's Magazine
*Heretic
Journal of Decorative Art
*Journal of State Medicine
*Journal of the Royal Institute of British Architects
*Journal of the Society of Arts
Knowledge
Magazine of Art
*Minutes of proceedings and Agenda of the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea
*Minutes of proceedings of the London County Council
*Minutes of proceedings of the Guardians of the Poor of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union
*Minutes of proceedings of the School Board for London
Monist
National Review
Navy List
New Review
Nineteenth Century
North American Review
Pall Mall Magazine
Quarterly Review
Revue des deux mondes
Science Gossip
Science Progress
Scribner's Magazine
*Student's Journal of Phonography
*University Correspondent
Westminster Review

## RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

Bradshaw's Guide
*Caledonian
*Cook's Excursionist
*Cunard Steamship Co.
*Gaze's Tourist Gazette
*General Steam Navigation Co.
*Glasgow and South Western
*Great Eastern
*Great North of Scotland
*Great Northern
*Great Southern and Western (Ireland)
*Great Western
*Highland
*London and North Western
*London and South Western
*London, Brighton and South Coast
*London, Chatham and Dover
*Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire
*Midland
*North Eastern
*North British
*Orient Line of Royal Mail Steamships
*South Eastern

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1895 ... | 5257 |
| ,, ,, added 1895-96 ... .. .. | 219 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1896 ... | 5476 |
| ,, ,, issued 1895-96 ... ... ... | 44720 |
| Daily average .. ... ... ... ... ... | 187 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 5818 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, June 1st, 1895 ... | 809 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 25th, 1896 ... | 1886 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 3932 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... .. ... | 267 |
| ,, Books worn out and replaced by new copies | 154 |
| ,, ,, replaced by borrowers ... ... | 10 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1895-96.

| | | 1895. | Additions. | 1896. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 206 | 12 | 218 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 125 | 11 | 136 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... .. ... | 363 | 41 | 404 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1183 | 89 | 1272 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 248 | 5 | 253 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 2715 | 31 | 2746 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 417 | 30 | 447 |
| | Totals ... ... | 5257 | 219 | 5476 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS FROM JUNE 1ST, 1895, TO MARCH 25TH, 1896.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1895. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 8 | 6 | 73 | 133 | 23 | 3099 | 62 | 3404 | 23 | 148 |
| July | 6 | 9 | 42 | 85 | 21 | 2422 | 50 | 2635 | 15 | 176 |
| August | 10 | 9 | 96 | 180 | 26 | 4063 | 78 | 4462 | 26 | 171 |
| September | 20 | 12 | 101 | 203 | 30 | 3999 | 97 | 4462 | 25 | 178 |
| October | 19 | 22 | 129 | 253 | 38 | 4260 | 99 | 4820 | 27 | 179 |
| November | 21 | 19 | 143 | 261 | 41 | 4791 | 97 | 5373 | 26 | 206 |
| December | 19 | 10 | 105 | 252 | 39 | 3955 | 86 | 4466 | 24 | 186 |
| 1896. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 17 | 12 | 137 | 322 | 47 | 4717 | 122 | 5374 | 27 | 199 |
| February | 20 | 15 | 139 | 265 | 40 | 4764 | 117 | 5360 | 25 | 214 |
| March | 28 | 14 | 102 | 245 | 25 | 3865 | 85 | 4364 | 21 | 207 |
| Totals .. | 168 | 128 | 1067 | 2199 | 330 | 39935 | 893 | 44720 | 239 | 187 |

# LIST OF NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS SUPPLIED TO THE LURLINE GARDENS READING ROOM.

*Those marked thus * are presented.*

## DAILY.

Daily Chronicle
Daily Graphic
Daily News
Daily Telegraph
Echo
Evening Standard
Globe
Morning Post
Pall Mall Gazette
Standard
Star
Times
Westminster Gazette

## WEEKLY.

Battersea Herald
Builder
Christian World
*Church Bells
*Church Review
*Civil Service Aspirant
*Civil Service Competitor
*Co-operative News
*Dalton's Weekly House and Apartments Advertiser
Engineer
English Mechanic
*Estates Gazette
*Free Life
*Folkestone up-to-date
Gentlewoman
Graphic
Illustrated London News
Judy
Literary World
*Local Government Journal
Nature
*News of the World
People
*Phonetic Journal
Punch
Reynolds's Newspaper
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star
Speaker
Spectator
*Spinning Wheel
Truth
*Vegetarian
*Wandsworth and Battersea District Times
Work
World

## MONTHLY.

*Animal s Friend
*Animals' Guardian
*Anti-Infidel
Argosy
*Canadian Circular
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
*Charity Record
*Church Reformer
*Clark's Civil Service Examiner and Guide
Cornhill Magazine
English Illustrated Magazine
*Foreign Languages Made Easy
Fortnightly Review
*Free Life
*Free Russia
Good Words
Idler
*Imperial Institute Journal
*Journal of State Medicine
Knowledge
*Labour Gazette
Leisure Hour
*Liberal Unionist
Longman's Magazine

MONTHLY—*Continued,*

Macmillan's Magazine
Musical Times
*National Church
*Natural Food
*New Church Magazine
New Review
Nineteenth Century
*Orchestral Association Gazette
*Protestant Observer
*Railway Signal
*Rechabite and Temperance Magazine
Review of Reviews
Strand Magazine
Temple Bar
*Volunteer Service Record
*Zoophilist

RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES, &c.

A. B. C. Guide
*Caledonian
*Cook's Excursionist and Tourist
*General Steam Navigation Co.
*Glasgow and South Western
*Great Eastern
*Great North of Scotland
*Great Northern
*Great Southern and Western (Ireland)
*Great Western
*Highland
*London and North Western
*London and South Western
*London, Brighton and South Coast
*London, Chatham and Dover
*Manchester, Sheffield and Lincolnshire
*Midland
*North British
*North Eastern
*South Eastern

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH,

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on June 1st, 1895 ... | 5891 |
| ,, ,, added 1895-96 ... ... ... | 108 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1896 ... | 5999 |
| ,, ,, issued 1895-96 ... ... .. | 28917 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... | 121 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 8623 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, June 1st, 1895 ... | 531 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 25th, 1896... | 1257 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... . . ... ... | 231 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 190 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... .. ... ... | 6 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1895-96.

| | | 1895. | Additions. | 1896. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 416 | 1 | 417 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 164 | 10 | 174 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 435 | 13 | 448 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 1143 | 22 | 1165 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 246 | 3 | 249 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction... ... ... | 3041 | 47 | 3088 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 446 | 12 | 458 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 5891 | 108 | 5999 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM JUNE 1ST, 1895, TO MARCH 25TH, 1896.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1895. | | | | | | | | | | |
| June | 19 | 8 | 37 | 66 | 22 | 1973 | 27 | 2152 | 23 | 93 |
| July | 7 | 3 | 35 | 59 | 16 | 1561 | 15 | 1696 | 15 | 113 |
| August | 6 | 4 | 70 | 100 | 12 | 2719 | 34 | 2945 | 26 | 113 |
| September | 14 | 6 | 59 | 118 | 11 | 2726 | 36 | 2970 | 25 | 118 |
| October | 19 | 11 | 61 | 140 | 26 | 2718 | 33 | 3008 | 27 | 111 |
| November | 17 | 11 | 63 | 138 | 24 | 3150 | 39 | 3442 | 26 | 132 |
| December | 15 | 8 | 71 | 123 | 23 | 2624 | 53 | 2917 | 24 | 121 |
| 1896. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January | 18 | 12 | 68 | 139 | 22 | 3224 | 53 | 3536 | 27 | 130 |
| February | 24 | 12 | 72 | 159 | 15 | 3155 | 49 | 3486 | 25 | 139 |
| March | 13 | 5 | 77 | 100 | 14 | 2530 | 26 | 2765 | 21 | 131 |
| Totals .. | 152 | 80 | 613 | 1142 | 185 | 26380 | 365 | 28917 | 239 | 121 |

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*Australian Trading World
Battersea Herald
Builder
*Church Bells
*Civil Service Aspirant
*Civil Service Competitor
*Contract Journal
*Contractor
*Co-operative News
*Dalton's Weekly House and and Apartment Advertiser
*Drapery World
Engineer
English Mechanic
Field
*Folkestone up-to-date
Graphic
Illustrated London News
Judy
Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper
*Local Government Chronicle
*Local Government Journal
Nature
Punch
Reynolds's Newspaper
Saturday Review
South London Press
South Western Star
Spectator
Truth
Work
World

## MONTHLY.

*Animals' Guardian
Cassell's Magazine
Chambers's Journal
*Clark's Civil Service Examiner and Guide
Contemporary Review
English Illustrated Magazine
*Foreign Languages Made Easy
*Free Life
Good Words
Idler
*Journal of State Medicine
*Labour Gazette
Leisure Hour
Longman's Magazine
Macmillan's Magazine
Miller
*National Church
*New Church Magazine
Nineteenth Century
*Orchestral Association Gazette
*"Our Own" Gazette
*Pioneer of Wisdom
Quiver
*Rechabite and Temperance Magazine

## RAILWAY AND OTHER TIME TABLES.

A. B. C. Guide
*Caledonian
*Cook's Excursionist
*General Steam Navigation Co.
*Glasgow and South Western
*Great Eastern
*Great Northern
*Great Western
*Highland
*London and North Western
*London and South Western
*London, Brighton and South Coast
*London, Chatham and Dover
*Midland
*North Eastern
*South Eastern

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## FORM OF BEQUEST.

*I give and bequeath, out of such part of my personal estate as may by law be bequeathed for such purposes, to the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, in the County of London, the sum of*

*free from Legacy Duty, to be expended for the benefit of the Public Libraries of the said Parish in such manner as the Vestry may think proper, and I direct that the receipt of the Treasurer for the time being of the said Vestry shall be an effectual discharge for the same legacy.*

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Donations may be intimated to the Librarian at the Central Library, Lavender Hill, and will be gladly received and acknowledged by the Library Committee.

*A complete list of those gentlemen who have at various times acted as Commissioners for Public Libraries and Museums for the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, with the dates of their appointment and retirement.*

| *Appointed.* | | *Retired.* |
|---|---|---|
| **1887** .. | BUCKMASTER, J. C. .. .. | 1887 |
| **1887** .. | BURSILL, J. F. .. .. .. | 1890 |
| **1887** .. | CAMERON, ANDREW .. .. | 1888 |
| **1887** .. | CLARKE, REV. J. ERSKINE .. | 1888 |
| **1887** .. | DONALDSON, CHARLES .. | 1890 |
| **1887** .. | HAMILTON, REV. WILLIAM .. | 1890 |
| **1887** .. | JAMES, HUGH .. .. .. | **1896** |
| **1887** .. | MELLOR, JOHN T. .. .. | 1895 |
| **1887** .. | SMITH, C. SPENCER .. .. | 1888 |
| 1888 .. | THORNTON, PERCY M., M.P. | 1891 |
| 1888 .. | BARNES, HOWARTH .. .. | **1896** |
| 1888 .. | SHUTTER, T. O. .. .. .. | 1893 |
| 1888 .. | STREET, G. N. .. .. .. | 1889 |
| 1889 .. | GITSHAM, HENRY .. .. | 1892 |
| 1890 .. | DAVEY, J. B. .. .. .. | 1891 |
| 1890 .. | HIGGS, FRANK .. .. .. | 1895 |
| 1890 .. | WOOD, EDWARD, J.P. .. | 1894 |
| 1891 .. | STEWART, WILLIAM .. .. | 1892 |
| 1891 .. | WILLIS, WILLIAM .. .. | 1892 |
| 1892 .. | BRAY, W. T. .. .. .. | 1895 |
| 1892 .. | COSTIGAN, THOMAS .. .. | 1893 |
| 1892 .. | LAWTHER, G. H. .. .. | 1894 |
| 1893 .. | MAY, W. J. .. .. .. .. | **1896** |
| 1893 .. | WILLIAMS, JOHN .. .. | **1896** |
| 1894 .. | EVANS, DAVID .. .. .. | **1896** |
| 1894 .. | SAYER, JOHN .. .. .. | **1896** |
| 1895 .. | AITKEN, J. W. .. .. .. | **1896** |
| 1895 .. | BROWN, CHARLES .. .. | **1896** |
| 1895 .. | MASON, C. E. .. .. .. | **1896** |

The dates in BLACK TYPE in the left-hand column indicate the Members of the first Board; those in the right-hand column denote the Members of the last Board.

## LIST OF ATTENDANCES OF THE COMMISSIONERS FROM JUNE 4TH, 1895, TO MARCH 25TH, 1896.

| NAMES. | MEETINGS OF THE BOARD AND COMMITTEES. | |
|---|---|---|
| | Summoned to | Attended |
| Aitken, J. W. ... ... | 29 | 17 |
| Barnes, Howarth ... ... | 20 | 19 |
| Brown, Charles ... ... | 25 | 19 |
| Evans, David ... ... | 25 | 22 |
| James, Hugh ... ... | 28 | 16 |
| Mason, C. E. ... ... | 21 | 16 |
| May, W. J. ... ... | 23 | 17 |
| Sayer, John ... ... | 27 | 15 |
| Williams, John ... ... | 23 | 19 |

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Accountants and Auditors, Society of .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Aitken, J. W., 6, Mantua Street, S.W. .. .. .. | | 2 |
| Allinson, T. R., 4, Spanish Place, Manchester Square, W. | 1 | |
| Anderson, Anderson & Co., Messrs, 5, Fenchurch Avenue, E.C. | | 6 |
| Anderton, Basil, B.A., Public Library, Newcastle-upon-Tyne | | 1 |
| Anonymous .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Arbitration and Peace Association, International, 40 and 41, Outer Temple, Strand, W.C. One periodical monthly | | |
| Bacon Society, The, 25, Parliament Street, S.W. One periodical quarterly. | | |
| Bailey, J. B., Royal College of Surgeons' Library, Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Battersea Vestry .. .. .. .. .. .. | 5 | 3 |
| Report upon the health and sanitary condition of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea, during 1894 (3 copies) | | |
| Annual Report for the year ended 25th March, 1895 (3 copies). | | |
| Minutes of Proceedings, 1894-95 (2 copies). | | |
| (and 3 copies of Minutes of Proceedings and Agenda, as issued). | | |
| Bennett, W. J., Voluntary Schools Defence Union, Talbot House, Arundel Street, W.C. .. .. .. .. | 6 | |
| Blackman Ventilating Company, Ltd., 63, Fore Street, E.C. | | 2 |
| Board of Trade (Labour Department) .. .. .. | 2 | 5 |
| Brewers' Exhibition, Secretary of .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Brewster, F. Carroll, c/o Messrs. Cassell & Co., Ltd., La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Hill, E.C. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the .. .. .. .. | 21 | |
| Brockell, T. H., 8, Courtland Terrace, Kensington, W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Browitt, Miss, per Mr. J. S. Browitt, 117, Mallinson Road, S.W. Engraving of St. George's Schools, Battersea Fields. | | |
| Browne, Messrs. T. B., Ltd., 163, Queen Victoria Street, E.C. | 1 | |
| Burns, John, M.P., 108, Lavender Hill, S.W. .. .. | 7 | 1 |
| (and Parliamentary Publications). | | |
| Cadbury, Richard, c/o Messrs. T. B. Browne, Ltd., 163, Queen Victoria Street, E.C. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Caiger, Miss, 47, Gorst Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W. | 21 | |
| Campbell, Frank, British Museum, W.C .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Cash, F. G., Highbury Park, N. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Champness & Co., Messrs., 33, Imperial Buildings, Ludgate Circus, E.C .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| City and Guilds of London Institute, Basinghall Street, E.C. | | 1 |
| Claris, Rev. G. M., 28, Sister's Avenue, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Clarke, Rev. Canon, 6, Altenburg Gardens, S.W. .. .. | 61 | 35 |
| Cleland, William, 17, University Road, Bootle .. .. | 1 | |
| Cotton, Mrs. H. A., 64, Thirsk Road, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Coulter, John, 20, Queen's Arcade, Belfast .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Cust, R. N., 63, Elm Park Gardens, S.W. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Dent, Miss, Manor House, Milton, near Northampton .. | 1 | |
| Erdmann, H., 4, Salcott Road, S.W. A number of miscellaneous pamphlets. | | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Garwood, A. C., 2, Grosvenor Villas, Cleaveland Road, Surbiton .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Gillett, B. F., 8, Strathblaine Road, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Grimes, Mrs., 6, Nighingale Lane, S.W. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| Hammersmith Vestry .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Hampton, W., 46, Southampton Buildings, W.C. .. .. | 1 | |
| Harrison, Prof. I. Henry, 5th Line, House 30, Lodging 19, Vassilii Ostroff, St. Petersburg .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| "Home Words," Editor of, 7, Paternoster Square, E.C. .. | 1 | |
| Imperial Federation (Defence) Committee, 25, Old Queen Street, Westminster, S.W. .. .. .. .. | | 2 |
| Irish Unionist Alliance, Executive Committee of the .. | 2 | |
| Jamaica, Institute of, Kingston, Jamaica .. .. .. | 1 | |
| James, Hugh, 6, Gorst Road. S.W. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Jessop, C. M., Clare Lodge, Redhill .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Kelly, D., Granville House, Charlotte Street, Brighton. One periodtcal weekly. | | |
| Kesterton, E. P., 73, Hempsted Street, Ashford .. .. | | 1 |
| Knight, J. C., 48, Ingrave Street, S.W. .. .. .. | 5 | |
| Knowles, J. H., 15, Rush Hill Road, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Land Nationalisation Society, 47, Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Lees, G. M., 127, Grandison Road, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| London, Corporation of the City of .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| London County Council .. .. .. .. .. (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued). | 2 | 4 |
| London University Guide, Editor of, 13, Booksellers' Row, Strand, W.C. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Mason, C. E , 26, Balfern Street, S.W. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Mason, Rev. Ernest, 7, Marine Approach, South Shields | 1 | |
| Maurice, C. E., Eirene Cottage, Gainsborough Gardens, Hampstead, N.W. .. .. .. .. .. .. (and 1 small map). | | 1 |
| Meux, Lady, Dauntsey House, Chippenham, Wilts .. | 1 | |
| Mining Engineers, Council of the Federated Institution of | | 3 |
| Mitchell, Messrs. C. & Co., 12 and 13, Red Lion Court, E.C. | 1 | |
| Mole, Walter, 1, India Buildings, Edinburgh .. .. (and 1 periodical weekly). | | 1 |
| Morgan, W., 25, Octavia Street, S.W. Two periodicals weekly. | | |
| Natal, Agent-General for .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| New South Wales, Agent-General for .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Ontario Government Agency, 19, Brunswick Street, Liverpool .. .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Orchestral Association, The, 5, York Buildings, Adelphi, W.C. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Paton, Rev. James, 2, Park Quadrant, Glasgow .. .. | 2 | |
| Pink, F. H., 14, Sisters' Avenue, S.W. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Ransome, J. S., per Messrs. Eyre & Spottiswoode, East Harding Street, E.C. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| St. Mary's Hospital Medical School, Paddington, W. .. | | 3 |
| Salter, W. R., 8, Thirsk Road, Lavender Hill. S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Sayer, John, 8, Elspeth Road, S.W. Two periodicals monthly .. .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 3 |
| School Board for London .. .. .. .. .. (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued). | 5 | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Sell, Henry, 167, Fleet Street, E.C. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |
| South London Entomological and Natural History Society, Hibernia Chambers, S.E. .. .. .. .. | | 3 |
| Stock, Elliot, 62, Paternoster Row, E.C. .. .. .. | 1 | |
| Sunday Society, The .. .. .. .. .. .. | | 1 |
| Tattersall, Edward, 29, Kersley Street, S.W. One periodical monthly (3 copies). | | |
| Thomas, J. W., 6, Elspeth Road, S.W. .. .. .. and three periodicals weekly, and one monthly. | 1 | |
| Trinity College, London, Registrar of .. .. .. | 1 | |
| United Kingdom Alliance, London Auxiliary of the, 15, Great George Street, Westminster, S.W. .. .. | | 1 |
| Voysey, Rev. Charles, "St. Valery," Finchley Road, Hampstead, N.W. .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2 | |
| Washington, U.S.A., Department of Agriculture .. .. | | 2 |
| Webb, George, 166, Church Street, Stoke Newington, N. Six old deeds on parchment relating to the transfer of property in the Parish of Battersea, bearing dates from 1575 to 1729. | | |
| Webb, T. E., "Kootenay," Durham Road, Wimbledon .. | 1 | |
| Women's Suffrage, National Society for .. .. .. | | 3 |
| Wood, R. H., 33, Mossbury Road, S.W. One periodical weekly (3 copies). | | |
| Woods, T., 5, Haines Street, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Zaehnsdorf, J., 144–146, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.C. .. | | 1 |

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.—REPORTS OR CATALOGUES have been received from the following :—

- Aberdeen
- Aston
- Ayr
- Belfast
- Birkenhead
- Blackburn
- Blackpool
- Bolton
- Bradford
- Brighton
- Bristol
- Bromley
- Buxton
- Cambridge
- CambridgeUniversity
- Cardiff
- Cheltenham
- Chester
- Chiswick
- Clitheroe
- Cork
- Croydon
- Derby
- Dewsbury
- Glasgow (Baillie's Institution)
- Glasgow (Mitchell)
- Halifax
- Handsworth
- Hanley
- Hindley
- Hove
- Hyde
- Kidderminster
- Kingston - upon-Thames
- Leamington
- Leeds
- Liverpool
- London :—
  - Chelsea
  - Clapham
  - Clerkenwell
  - Hammersmith
  - Hampstead
  - Holborn
  - Lewisham
  - Minet
  - Poplar
  - Rotherhithe
  - St. George, Hanover Square
  - St. Giles
  - St. Martin - in - the - Fields
  - Southwark (Christ Church)
  - Southwark (St. Saviour s)
  - Stoke Newington
  - Streatham
  - Whitechapel
- Longton
- Loughborough
- Manchester [Lyme
- Newcastle - under-
- Newcastle-upon-Tyne
- Norwich
- Nottingham
- Oldham (Lyceum)
- Oxford
- Plymouth
- Portsmouth
- Richmond (Surrey)
- Runcorn
- St. Helens
- Salford
- Sheffield
- Smethwick
- South Shields
- Tonbridge
- Toronto, Canada
- Tynemouth
- United States of America :—
  - Baltimore (Enoch Pratt)
  - Boston
  - Chicago
  - Los Angeles, California
  - Portland, Oregon
  - St. Louis (Mercantile)
- Walsall
- Watford
- West Bromwich
- West Ham
- Whitehaven
- Widnes
- Wigan
- Willesden
- Wolverhampton
- York

## DETAILS OF EXPENDITURE, 1895-96.

| | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Interest on Loans ... ... ... ... ... | 288 | 8 | 2 |
| Repayment of Principal ... ... ... ... | 1027 | 6 | 8 |
| Salaries ... ... ... ... ... ... | 832 | 13 | 5 |
| Rent, Rates, and Taxes ... ... ... ... | 157 | 1 | 4 |
| Cleaning, Fuel, Lighting, &c. ... ... ... | 440 | 10 | 6 |
| Books ... ... ... ... ... ... | 580 | 12 | 1 |
| Newspapers and Periodicals ... ... ... | 187 | 18 | 8 |
| Binding ... ... ... ... ... ... | 219 | 13 | 2 |
| Stationery and Printing ... ... ... ... | 110 | 16 | 3 |
| Repairs, Furniture, &c. ... ... ... ... | 92 | 8 | 3 |
| Postage, Carriage, &c. ... ... ... ... | 19 | 7 | 1 |
| Fire Insurance ... ... ... ... ... | 12 | 4 | 6 |
| Advertising ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | 14 | 6 |
| Legal and other Costs ... ... ... ... | 62 | 18 | 6 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... ... | 22 | 8 | 7 |
| | £4057 | 1 | 8 |

# STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

By the Commissioners for Public Libraries and

*For the Year ended the*

## RECEIPTS.

| | £ | s. | d. | £ | s. | d. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| To Balance in hand, 25th March, 1895 | | | | 983 | 2 | 6 |
| ,, Amounts received from Rates:— | | | | | | |
| From Rates levied with and as part of the Poor Rates ... | 3128 | 18 | 6 | | | |
| ,, Fines and Penalties ... ... | 174 | 15 | 4 | | | |
| ,, Sale of Catalogues . . ... ... | 37 | 8 | 8 | | | |
| ,, Proceeds of Sale of Central Library Forecourt ... ... ... .. | 1005 | 0 | 0 | | | |
| ,, Miscellaneous ... ... ... | 45 | 12 | 1 | | | |
| Total Receipts ... ... | | | | 4391 | 14 | 7 |
| | | | | £5374 | 17 | 1 |

## AND EXPENDITURE

MUSEUMS FOR THE PARISH OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA,

*25th day of March, 1896.*

### EXPENDITURE.

| | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
|---|---|---|
| By Buildings, Repairs, and Maintenance | | 690 0 1 |
| ,, Books, Periodicals, &c. ... ... | | 1033 7 5 |
| ,, Salaries and remuneration of Officers and Assistants ... ... ... | | 832 13 5 |
| ,, Establishment charges not before included ... ... ... ... | | 84 19 10 |
| ,, In respect of Loans :— | | |
| Principal repaid... ... ... | | 1027 6 8 |
| Interest ... ... ... ... | | 288 8 2 |
| ,, Legal and other costs ... ... | | 62 18 6 |
| ,, Fire Insurance... ... ... ... | | 12 4 6 |
| ,, Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... | | 25 3 1 |
| Total Expenditure... ... | | 4057 1 8 |
| By Balances at the end of the year :— | | |
| Treasurer ... ... ... | 1271 18 7 | |
| Secretary ... ... .. | 45 16 10 | |
| | | 1317 15 5 |
| | | £5374 17 1 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Secretary and Librarian,*
*March 26th, 1896.*

# LOAN

## Statement with Reference to Loans obtained by Museums for the Parish

*For the Year ended the*

| No. | Purpose of Loan. | Amount sanctioned to be borrowed. | Date of Sanction. | Period Authorized for Repayment. | Amounts originally borrowed. | Date of original borrowing. | Rate of Interest payable on Loan Outstanding. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | £ | | | £ | | £ |
| 1 | Purchase of site for Central Library | 3000 | 29 March, 1888 | 50 yrs. | 3000 | 28 June, 1888 | 3½ |
| 2 | Erection of two Library Buildings | 8350 | 16 Feb., 1889 | 30 yrs. | 8350 | 24 May, 1889 | 3½ |
| 3 | Purchase of Books & Furniture for two Libraries | 2650 | 16 Feb., 1889 | 10 yrs. | 2650 | 24 May, 1889 | 3½ |
| | Totals ... | 14000 | | | 14000 | | |

# ACCOUNT

THE COMMISSIONERS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND OF ST. MARY, BATTERSEA.

*25th day of March, 1896.*

| Mode of Repayment. | Amount of Principal owing at the commencement of the Year. | Amounts paid this Year, not including Payments to or Repayments out of Sinking Fund. | | Amount of Principal owing at the end of the Year. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Principal.. | Interest. | |
| | £ s. d | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. |
| £60 per annum, now £11 per annum | 484 0 0 | 484 0 0 | 17 10 2 | 0 0 0 |
| £278 6s. 8d. per annum | 6680 0 0 | 278 6 8 | 233 16 0 | 6401 13 4 |
| £265 per annum | 1060 0 0 | 265 0 0 | 37 2 0 | 795 0 0 |
| | 8224 0 0 | 1027 6 8 | 288 8 2 | 7196 13 4 |

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Secretary and Librarian,*
*March 26th, 1896.*

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The Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea.

# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## TENTH

# ANNUAL REPORT.

**1896-97.**

LONDON:
KENT & MATTHEWS, PRINTERS, CLAPHAM JUNCTION & WANDSWORTH ROAD.
1897.

## Library Committee:

1896-97.

Mr. J. W. AITKEN,
Rev. E. F. BEST,
Mr. H. BROOKS,
Mr. J. B. DAVEY,
Mr. W. J. HARRISON,
Mr. F. HIGGS,
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Mr. W. LETHBRIDGE,
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Mr. C. E. MASON,
Mr. W. S. SANDERS,
Mr. F. J. TAYLOR.

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*Sub-Librarian*—ERNEST H. CADDIE.

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*Assistants*—Cecil B. Barnes, William Turnbull.

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### LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Assistant-in-charge*—Wilfred E. Barnes.

*Assistant*—Sidney T. Hone.

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# REPORT.

The Library Committee beg to submit their Report for the twelve months ended March 25th, 1897.

The total number of registered borrowers is 9,347, of whom 6,364 are enrolled at the Central Library, 1,861 at Lurline Gardens, and 1,122 at Lammas Hall.

The total number of volumes in stock is 38,959, of which 11,140 are in the Reference Department, and 15,031 in the Lending Department of the Central Library; 6,269 at Lurline Gardens, and 6,519 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 3,099 volumes, 48 of these having been presented and 3,051 purchased.

The total number of volumes issued during the year was 272,159, of which 19,697 were given out in the Reference Department, and 164,238 in the Lending Department of the Central Library; 54,944 at Lurline Gardens, and 33,280 at Lammas Hall. The total issues during the ten months covered by the last annual report were 227,762.

One of the first subjects which engaged the attention of the Committee, upon their taking charge of the Libraries twelve months ago, was the extension of the Central Lending Library, the necessity for which had already been made apparent to their predecessors, the Library Commissioners. Plans were accordingly prepared by the Surveyor, Mr. J. T. Pilditch, providing an additional area almost equal to that already existing on the ground floor, with apartments on the floor above for the Caretaker, who had been obliged to leave the building by the alterations involved in the removal of the forecourt. These plans have been sanctioned by the Committee and the Vestry, and the work of carrying out the extension will shortly be commenced by the Works Department. It is hoped that the new building will be completed during the present year, and that the greatly superior

accommodation which will then be provided for the public will have the effect of increasing the usefulness of this department.

An improvement of a similar character has been effected at Lammas Hall, where the use of the large hall has been obtained from the Trustees upon very favourable terms. It has been fitted up by the Works Department as a Lending Library and Reading Room, and when it is opened to the public, as it will be very shortly, it will be found to be admirably adapted to its new purpose. Towards the cost of the alterations the Trustees have kindly promised to contribute the sum of £30.

The removal of the forecourt and the necessary alterations to the Central Library consequent thereon were successfully completed by the Works Department in May, 1896, and the Committee are able to state that the results, as regards the convenience of the public, have given general satisfaction.

Other works carried out during the year at the Central Library have been the improvement of the ventilation in the Magazine Room, and the cleansing and re-decoration of the whole building, with the exception of the Lending Department which will be dealt with upon the completion of the extension. The chief periodicals in the Reference Library and Magazine Room have been secured to the tables upon which they lie, their places being indicated by printed titles, and it is now possible to find any paper or periodical with very little delay. Additional gas lights and reading desks have also been supplied to the Reading Rooms, and two small rooms have been suitably furnished for the use of the male and female members of the staff. A proposal for lighting the Central Library by electricity in conjunction with the Town Hall and Municipal Buildings has received the sanction of the Vestry, and will be carried into effect about the end of the present year. The benefits consequent upon the introduction of the electric light both in the improved lighting and ventilation of the Reading Rooms, and in the saving to the bindings of books, will easily be understood and need not be further dwelt upon here.

At the Lurline Gardens Branch the spare room has been opened as a Magazine and Reference Room, and a small collection of works of reference has been provided. The magazines in this room and also the principal periodicals in the News Room have been secured to the tables in a manner similar to that adopted at the Central Library. A number of prints selected from the local and other collections at the Central Library have been framed by the Works Department and hung on the walls of the reading rooms at this Branch.

At the Lammas Hall Branch the Indicator in use there has, by the advice of the Librarian, been discarded, and replaced by a Cotgreave Indicator. This change has made the charging systems in all the Lending Departments uniform, and will greatly facilitate the interchange of readers' tickets between one library and another. The saving in counter space is also considerable.

The Committee, in October, 1896, proceeded to revise the rules in force in the various departments of the Libraries, the most important changes which were made being the reduction of the time allowed for the Annual Stocktaking and Cleaning from two weeks to one week, and the relief of ratepayers from the necessity of obtaining guarantees from other ratepayers to enable them to borrow books from the Lending Departments. The system of bespeaking books by means of post cards, inaugurated by the late Library Commissioners as an experiment, having proved satisfactory, the Committee have established it as a permanent arrangement.

The publication of a "Quarterly Guide for Readers" having been determined upon by the Committee, the first number was issued in January, 1897. The chief contents of this periodical will be the lists of all new books added to the Libraries during the three months preceding the publication of each number, and the price is fixed at one penny. A third edition of the Indicator Key of Class F (Fiction) in the Central Library was also published in January, with the addition of an Author-Catalogue of Fiction, and a third edition of the Lammas Hall Catalogue is now in the press, and will shortly be issued.

The desirability of making further provision for residents in No. 1 Ward has also engaged the attention of the Committee, and there is a prospect of a room in the projected new building for Public Baths in that district being set apart for library purposes.

The hours of all caretakers in the employment of the Committee have been fixed at a maximum of 48 per week, two additional men being engaged to afford the necessary relief and to increase the amount of supervision bestowed upon the reading rooms.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, &c., are appended.

WM. SANDERS, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W.
*April 8th, 1897.*

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

| YEAR. | Reference Library. | Lending Library. | Lurline Gardens Branch. | Lammas Hall Branch. | Total Issues. | Total Stock. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1888-89 | ... | ... | ... | 46403 | 46403 | 5357 |
| 1889-90 | 3059 | 28293 | ... | 89473 | 120825 | 22841 |
| 1890-91 | 17971 | 192766 | 25725 | 45701 | 282163 | 28740 |
| 1891-92 | 15864 | 178261 | 46146 | 39387 | 279658 | 30038 |
| 1892-93 | 18212 | 171558 | 47062 | 38159 | 274991 | 31550 |
| 1893-94 | 22756 | 178936 | 49869 | 37679 | 289240 | 32981 |
| 1894-95 | 20753 | 180484 | 56232 | 39050 | 296519 | 34460 |
| 1895-96 | 17996 | 136129 | 44720 | 28917 | 227762 | 35860 |
| 1896-97 | 19697 | 164238 | 54944 | 33280 | 272159 | 38959 |

# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1896 ... | 10520 |
| ,, ,, added 1896-97 ... ... ... | 620 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1897 ... | 11140 |
| ,, ,, issued 1896-97 ... ... ... | 19697 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 56 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 304 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1896 ... | 13865 |
| ,, ,, added 1896-97 ... ... ... | 1166 |
| ,, ,, in stock on March 25th, 1897 ... | 15031 |
| ,, ,, issued 1896-97 ... ... ... | 164238 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 558 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 31263 |
| ,, ,, ,, from March 26th, 1896, to March 25th, 1897 ... ... | 3878 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 4997 |
| ,, Borrowers on March 25th, 1897 ... ... | 7000 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 1112 |
| ,, ,, repaired ... ... ... ... | 1665 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 226 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 33 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1896-97.

| | | 1896. | Additions. | 1897. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 756 | 15 | 771 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 485 | 41 | 526 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1421 | 48 | 1469 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 2516 | 143 | 2659 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 403 | 14 | 417 |
| ,, F | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries,&c.... | 1283 | 43 | 1326 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 3656 | 316 | 3972 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 10520 | 620 | 11140 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1896-97.

| | | 1896. | Additions. | 1897. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 838 | 45 | 883 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 455 | 82 | 537 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1276 | 118 | 1394 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 3944 | 351 | 4295 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 491 | 42 | 533 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 5304 | 367 | 5671 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature... ... | 1557 | 161 | 1718 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 13865 | 1166 | 15031 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH, 1896, TO MARCH 25TH, 1897.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1896. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 28 | 2 | 97 | 69 | 2 | 37 | 99 | 334 | 6 | 55 |
| April ... | 74 | 38 | 440 | 220 | 45 | 163 | 406 | 1386 | 30 | 46 |
| May ... | 79 | 40 | 286 | 184 | 96 | 169 | 350 | 1204 | 31 | 38 |
| June ... | 55 | 34 | 376 | 213 | 75 | 139 | 367 | 1259 | 30 | 41 |
| July ... | 34 | 21 | 147 | 129 | 24 | 79 | 216 | 650 | 17 | 38 |
| August ... | 147 | 33 | 252 | 324 | 95 | 181 | 530 | 1562 | 31 | 50 |
| September | 210 | 71 | 410 | 421 | 138 | 173 | 703 | 2126 | 30 | 70 |
| October ... | 202 | 73 | 340 | 423 | 61 | 189 | 577 | 1865 | 31 | 60 |
| November | 171 | 54 | 306 | 335 | 69 | 213 | 569 | 1717 | 30 | 57 |
| December | 268 | 82 | 298 | 433 | 43 | 174 | 519 | 1817 | 30 | 60 |
| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 144 | 81 | 450 | 438 | 54 | 186 | 694 | 2047 | 31 | 66 |
| February ... | 111 | 57 | 471 | 477 | 112 | 194 | 683 | 2105 | 28 | 75 |
| March 1st to 25th | 99 | 58 | 385 | 341 | 59 | 224 | 459 | 1625 | 25 | 65 |
| Totals... | 1622 | 644 | 4258 | 4007 | 873 | 2121 | 6172 | 19697 | 350 | 56 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1896-97.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total issue (March 26th, 1896, to March 25th, 1897) ... ... | 1723 |
| Sundays open ... ... ... ... ... | 50 |
| Average Sunday issue ... ... ... ... ... | 34 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, FROM MARCH 26TH, 1896, TO MARCH 25TH, 1897

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1896. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 34 | 23 | 128 | 196 | 29 | 2717 | 82 | 3209 | 5 | 641 |
| April ... | 143 | 55 | 616 | 885 | 137 | 12283 | 391 | 14510 | 24 | 604 |
| May ... | 124 | 56 | 525 | 749 | 132 | 11850 | 374 | 13810 | 25 | 552 |
| June ... | 73 | 34 | 383 | 508 | 85 | 8681 | 266 | 10030 | 25 | 401 |
| July .. | 50 | 30 | 242 | 318 | 68 | 6194 | 163 | 7065 | 15 | 471 |
| August ... | 115 | 60 | 532 | 720 | 112 | 10859 | 266 | 12664 | 25 | 506 |
| September | 116 | 65 | 632 | 850 | 149 | 12271 | 449 | 14532 | 26 | 558 |
| October ... | 179 | 75 | 621 | 926 | 162 | 12865 | 453 | 15281 | 27 | 565 |
| November... | 169 | 98 | 600 | 966 | 175 | 12391 | 455 | 14854 | 25 | 594 |
| December... | 129 | 77 | 510 | 893 | 151 | 11447 | 450 | 13657 | 25 | 546 |
| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 182 | 78 | 611 | 975 | 189 | 13438 | 475 | 15948 | 26 | 611 |
| February ... | 159 | 87 | 644 | 910 | 156 | 12826 | 478 | 15260 | 24 | 635 |
| March 1st to 25th | 132 | 71 | 557 | 892 | 130 | 11243 | 393 | 13418 | 22 | 609 |
| Totals ... | 1605 | 809 | 6601 | 9788 | 1675 | 139065 | 4695 | 164238 | 294 | 558 |

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1896 ... | 5476 |
| ,, ,, added 1896-97 ... ... ... ... | 793 |
| ,, ,, in stock on March 25th, 1897 ... | 6269 |
| ,, ,, issued 1896-97... ... ... ... | 54944 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 186 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 6796 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1896 ... | 977 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 25th, 1897 ... | 1861 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled... ... ... ... ... | 4935 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 329 |
| ,, Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... | 79 |
| ,, ,, replaced by borrowers ... ... ... | 6 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1896-97.

| | | 1896. | Additions. | 1897. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 218 | 16 | 234 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 136 | 65 | 201 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | 404 | 68 | 472 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1272 | 172 | 1444 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 253 | 29 | 282 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 2746 | 306 | 3052 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 447 | 137 | 584 |
| | Totals ... ... | 5476 | 793 | 6269 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS FROM MARCH 26TH, 1896, TO MARCH, 25TH, 1897.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1896. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 5 | 4 | 18 | 58 | 5 | 903 | 24 | 1017 | 5 | 203 |
| April ... | 26 | 13 | 138 | 268 | 34 | 4280 | 123 | 4882 | 24 | 203 |
| May ... | 26 | 15 | 91 | 234 | 31 | 4132 | 117 | 4646 | 25 | 185 |
| June ... | 9 | 7 | 77 | 172 | 24 | 3072 | 67 | 3428 | 25 | 137 |
| July ... | 11 | 4 | 47 | 104 | 16 | 2153 | 52 | 2387 | 15 | 159 |
| August ... | 12 | 10 | 84 | 165 | 31 | 3733 | 68 | 4103 | 25 | 164 |
| September | 25 | 11 | 106 | 220 | 27 | 4179 | 76 | 4644 | 26 | 178 |
| October ... | 28 | 16 | 127 | 267 | 35 | 4386 | 88 | 4947 | 27 | 183 |
| November... | 30 | 20 | 126 | 228 | 38 | 4410 | 106 | 4958 | 25 | 198 |
| December... | 18 | 19 | 127 | 219 | 37 | 3928 | 94 | 4442 | 25 | 177 |
| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 25 | 25 | 155 | 267 | 49 | 4748 | 316 | 5585 | 26 | 214 |
| February ... | 32 | 11 | 157 | 321 | 31 | 4539 | 310 | 5401 | 24 | 225 |
| March 1st to 25th | 20 | 17 | 130 | 226 | 47 | 3807 | 257 | 4504 | 22 | 204 |
| Totals ... | 267 | 172 | 1383 | 2749 | 405 | 48270 | 1698 | 54944 | 294 | 186 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH,

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1896 ... | 5999 |
| ,, ,, added 1896-97 ... ... ... ... | 520 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1897 ... | 6519 |
| ,, ,, issued 1896-97 ... ... ... ... | 33280 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 113 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 9154 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1896 ... | 531 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 25th, 1897 ... | 1122 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 261 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 64 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 1 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1896-97.

| | | 1896. | Additions. | 1897. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 417 | 9 | 426 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 174 | 52 | 226 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... ... | 448 | 38 | 486 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1165 | 98 | 1263 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 249 | 16 | 265 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3088 | 254 | 3342 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 458 | 53 | 511 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 5999 | 520 | 6519 |

# TABLE

SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM MARCH 26TH, 1896, TO MARCH 25TH, 1897.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1896. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 3 | ... | 6 | 24 | 5 | 606 | 5 | 649 | 5 | 129 |
| April ... | 14 | 8 | 82 | 108 | 24 | 2825 | 34 | 3095 | 24 | 129 |
| May .. | 13 | 2 | 78 | 114 | 26 | 2653 | 45 | 2931 | 25 | 117 |
| June ... | 7 | 4 | 47 | 95 | 14 | 1966 | 31 | 2164 | 25 | 86 |
| July ... | 4 | 1 | 35 | 46 | 8 | 1236 | 12 | 1342 | 15 | 89 |
| August ... | 11 | 4 | 50 | 64 | 10 | 2481 | 21 | 2641 | 25 | 105 |
| September | 21 | 16 | 64 | 93 | 19 | 2550 | 39 | 2802 | 26 | 107 |
| October ... | 19 | 10 | 81 | 121 | 17 | 2643 | 42 | 2933 | 27 | 108 |
| November | 21 | 6 | 69 | 109 | 25 | 2473 | 35 | 2738 | 25 | 109 |
| December | 15 | 2 | 57 | 127 | 20 | 2509 | 48 | 2778 | 25 | 111 |
| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 15 | 11 | 60 | 149 | 17 | 3016 | 44 | 3312 | 26 | 127 |
| February... | 14 | 5 | 59 | 152 | 14 | 2907 | 35 | 3186 | 24 | 132 |
| March 1st to 25th | 4 | 8 | 34 | 97 | 12 | 2528 | 26 | 2709 | 22 | 123 |
| Totals ... | 161 | 77 | 722 | 1299 | 211 | 30393 | 417 | 33280 | 294 | 113 |

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Accountants and Auditors, Society of ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Aitken, J. W., 6, Mantua Street, S.W. Framed photograph of monument erected in memory of the late Mr. Andrew Cameron | | |
| Alstine, Mrs. R. K. van., Glasgow ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Anonymous ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Aubrey, W. H. S., 13, Canterbury Road, Croydon ... ... | | 1 |
| Barrett, Alfred W., c/o. Messrs. J. Clarke & Co., 13 & 14, Fleet Street, E.C. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Bartlett, Miss, 11, Rusham Road, S.W. One periodical monthly; also back nnmbers for 1895-96 of same ... | | |
| Battersea Polytechnic, The, Battersea Park Road, S.W. ... | | 1 |
| Benecke, Miss Ida, c/o Messrs. Constable & Co., 2, Whitehall Gardens, S.W. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Bickerton, W. F., 39, Dunsmure Road, N. One periodical weekly | | |
| Blacklock & Co., Messrs. Henry, Albert Square, Manchester. Cover for Bradshaw's Railway Guide | | |
| Board of Trade (Labour Department) ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Bridges, T.. 66, Stormont Road, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the... ... ... ... ... | 3 | 20 |
| Browne, Messrs. T B., Ltd., 163, Queen Victoria Street, E C. | 1 | |
| Burns, John, M.P., 108, Lavender Hill, S.W. ... ... ... (and Parliamentary Publications) | 13 | |
| Burton, The Executors of the late Lady, 67, Baker Street, W. | 2 | |
| Canada, Department of Education ... ... ... ... | 3 | 1 |
| Canada, High Commissioner for... ... ... ... ... | 1 | 2 |
| Champness & Co., Messrs., 33, Imperial Buildings, Ludgate Circus, E.C. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Church Extension Association, 6, Paternoster Row, E.C. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Claris, Rev. G. M., 28, Sisters' Avenue, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Clarke, Rev. Canon, 6, Altenburg Gardens, S.W. ... ... | 5 | |
| Colburn, George, 516, St George's Road, Glasgow ... ... | 1 | |
| Cotton, Mrs. H. A., 64, Thirsk Road, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Currie & Co., Messrs. Donald, Fenchurch Street, E.C. ... | 1 | |
| Day, Charles A., 321, High Holborn, W.C. ... ... . | 1 | |
| Dixon, John, 5, Baronsfield Road, St. Margaret's, Twickenham | 4 | 23 |
| Dodgson, Rev, C. L., c/o Messrs. Macmillan & Co., Ltd. ... | 1 | |
| Edwards, Francis. 83, High Street, Marylebone, W. Three views of Battersea and neighbourhood. | | |
| Emigrants' Information Office, 31, Broadway, Westminster, S.W. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Erdmann, H., 4, Salcott Road, S.W. A number of miscellaneous pamphlets. | | |
| Evans, H. S., 43, Orlando Road, Clapham Common, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Fairbairn, Miss H., 41, Brynmaer Road, S.W. ... ... | 3 | |
| French, A. D. Weld-, 160, State Street, Boston, Mass., U.S.A. | 1 | |
| Fryer, Dr. Alfred C., 13, Eaton Crescent, Clifton, Bristol ... | 1 | |
| Great Eastern Railway Company, The ... ... ... ... | 4 | |
| Great Western Railway Company, The... ... ... ... | 1 | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Hammersmith Vestry ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Hammond, Ernest, 14, Mallinson Road, S.W.... ... ... | | |
| Hampton, W., 46, Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane, W.C. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Harrison, W. J., 17, Patten Road, S.W. ... ... ... | 14 | |
| Henderson, Alfred N., Clerk to the Guardians, Wandsworth and Clapham Union ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Hill, Miss ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Holman, T., c/o Messrs. Sampson Low, Marston, & Co., Ltd., St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, E.C. ... ... ... | 2 | |
| "Home Words," The Editor of, 7, Paternoster Square, E.C. | 5 | |
| Hutton, A. W., Warden Lodge, Chiswick ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Irish Unionist Alliance, 109, Grafton Street, Dublin .. ... | 1 | |
| James, Burton S., 3, Douglas Villas, Streatham Common, S.W. | 1 | |
| Jenkins, R., 27, Morrison Street, S.W. ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Kempster, Dr. W. H., Medical Officer of Health, Battersea... One periodical monthly. | 3 | |
| Land Nationalisation Society, 47, Victoria Street, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Lees, George M., 127, Grandison Road, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Lethbridge, William, 25, Eversleigh Road, S.W. ... ... | | 10 |
| Library Assistants' Association ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Lindsey, Messrs. J. & H., 7, Waterloo Place, Edinburgh ... | | 1 |
| Linotype Company Limited, 188, Fleet Street, E.C. ... ... | 1 | |
| Liverpool Sunday Society.. ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| London County Council. Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Cash Papers, as issued. | | |
| London Directory Company, Ltd., 25, Abchurch Lane, E.C. | 2 | |
| Lyster, Thomas W., M.A., National Library of Ireland, Dublin | 1 | |
| Matriculation Directory, Editor of the, 13a, Booksellers' Row, W.C. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Mitchell, Messrs. C., & Co., 12 and 13, Red Lion Court, Fleet Street, E.C. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Mole, Walter, 1, India Buildings, Edinburgh. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Morgan, W., 25, Octavia Street, S.W. Two periodicals weekly. | | |
| Morgan, Mrs. W., 25, Octavia Street, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Mountford, E. W., *Architect of the Central Library*, 17, Buckingham Street, Strand, W.C. A set of plans of the Central Library. | | |
| National Education Emergency Committee, Surrey House, Victoria Embankment, W.C. ... ... ... ... | | 2 |
| New Zealand, Agent-General for, 13, Victoria Street, S.W. ... | 1 | |
| Palatine Insurance Company, Ltd., 32, Brown Street, Manchester. One blotter, with small maps. | | |
| Penkivil, Mrs. L., 14, Brynmaer Road, S.W. ... ... ... | 7 | |
| Randolph, J. A., 2, Halsey Street, S.W. ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Robertson, Alex. W., Public Library, Aberdeen ... ... | | 1 |
| Royal Historical Society, per Thomas Mason, Esq., Librarian | 1 | |
| St. Mary's Hospital Medical School, Paddington, W. ... | 1 | |
| Salter, W. R., 8, Thirsk Road, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Sayer, John, 8, Elspeth Road, S W. One periodical monthly (3 copies). | | |
| School Board for London ... ... ... ... ... ... (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued). | 4 | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc |
|---|---|---|
| Smith, E. W., 111, Ashbury Road, S.W. ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Smith, G. A., 15, Keildon Road, S.W. ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| South London Entomological and Natural History Society ... | 2 | |
| Stephens and Mackintosh, Messrs., Leicester. Two maps of Battersea. | | |
| Sturmer, Herbert H., Primrose Club, St. James's, W. ... | 1 | |
| Thomas, J. W., 6, Elspeth Road, S.W. Three periodicals weekly and one monthly ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Thompson, Herbert M., c/o Thomas Laurie, Esq., 28, Paternoster Row, E.C. ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Treacher, Walter C., 6, Dalrymple Road, Crofton Park, S.E. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Trinity College, London, Secretary of ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| United Kingdom Alliance, London Auxiliary of the, 15, Great George Street, S.W. ... ... ... ... ... ... | | 1 |
| Victoria Street Society...for the total suppression of vivisection, 20, Victoria Street, S.W. ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Voluntary Schools Defence Union, Secretary of, Talbot House, Arundel Street, W.C. ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Walker, Charles C., Lilleshall Old Hall, Shropshire ... ... | 1 | |
| Wandsworth and Clapham Union, Board of Guardians, Minutes of Proceedings as issued. | | |
| Warburton, H. N., 31, Kersley Street, S.W. ... ... ... | 10 | |
| Washington, U.S.A., Bureau of Education ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Wickens, G. C., 12, Meath Street, S.W. ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Williams, Ernest E., c/o W. Heinemann, Esq., 21, Bedford Street, W.C. ... ... ... ... ... .. ... | 1 | |
| Willing, J., 162, Piccadilly, W. ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Wright, J., 10, Pountney Road, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |

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Blackpool
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Bootle
Bournemouth
Bradford
Brentford
Brighton
Bromley
Buxton
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Chester
Chiswick
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Doncaster
Dundee
Ealing
Falmouth
Folkestone
Glasgow (Baillie's Institution)
Glasgow (Stirling's & Glasgow)
Gosport and Alverstoke
Great Yarmouth
Halifax
Handsworth
Hanley
Harlesden
Hove
Hull
Hyde
Kidderminster
Kilburn
Kingston-upon-Thames
Leamington
Leeds
Leek (Nicholson Institute)
Leicester
Leyton
Lincoln
Liverpool
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- Bishopsgate Institute
- Chelsea
- Clerkenwell
- Fulham
- Hammersmith
- Hampstead
- Holborn
- Kensington
- Lewisham
- Marylebone
- Minet
- Newington
- Poplar
- Rotherhithe
- St. George, Hanover Square
- St. Giles
- Shoreditch
- Southwark (St. Saviour's)
- Stoke Newington
- Streatham
- Westminster

Longton
Loughborough
Middlesbrough
Newcastle-under-Lyme
Newcastle-upon-Tyne
Oldham (Lyceum)
Oxford
Oxford (Bodleian)
Peterborough
Plymouth
Portsmouth

Preston
Richmond, Surrey
Rochdale
Salford
Salisbury
Sheffield
Smethwick
South Shields
Southampton
Stafford
Stockport
Tokyo, Japan
Toronto, Canada
Twickenham
Tynemouth

United States of America :—
- Baltimore (Enoch Pratt)
- Boston
- Harvard University
- Los Angeles, Cal.
- New York (Aguilar)
- New York (Mercantile)
- St. Louis (Mercantile)
- Salem, Mass.
- San Francisco, Cal.

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Walthamstow
Watford
West Bromwich
West Ham
West Hartlepool
Willesden
Wolverhampton
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# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## ELEVENTH

# ANNUAL REPORT.

**1897-98.**

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1898.

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1897-98.

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# REPORT.

The Library Committee beg to submit their Report for the twelve months ended March 25th, 1898.

The total number of registered borrowers is 9,809, of whom 6,564 are enrolled at the Central Library, 2,059 at the Lurline Gardens Branch, and 1,186 at the Lammas Hall Branch.

The total number of volumes in stock is 40,930, of which 11,633 are in the Reference Department of the Central Library, 15,617 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 6,825 in the Lurline Gardens Branch, and 6,855 in the Lammas Hall Branch. The additions during the year number 1,971 volumes, 298 of these having been presented and 1,673 purchased.

The total number of volumes issued during the year was 284,481, of which 21,746 were given out in the Reference Department of the Central Library, 165,919 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 59,829 in the Lurline Gardens Branch, and 36,987 in the Lammas Hall Branch. The total issues in the previous year were 272,159.

The work of erecting the new building which is to form the extension of the Lending Department of the Central Library, with apartments on the floor above for the Caretaker, was commenced by the Works Department in February last, and it is hoped that this much-needed improvement will be completed during the ensuing summer. The estimated cost is £1,991 4s. 6d. The Local Government Board have given their sanction to a loan

of £1,500 and to the expenditure on the improvement of the sum of £496 15s. 3d,—the balance of the proceeds of the sale of the Central Library forecourt.

Various other works have been carried out during the year at the Central Library, among which may be mentioned the improvement of the ventilation of the Lecture Room.

At the Lammas Hall Branch the Large Hall, having been fitted up as a Lending Library and Reading Room, was formally opened on May 8th, 1897, by Mr. John Burns, L.C.C., M.P., who gave an interesting address on the development of the free library system in London. Mr. W. S. Sanders, Chairman of the Library Committee, presided, and was supported by Mr. W. Davies, J.P., L.C.C., Chairman of the Vestry, the Trustees of Lammas Hall, and several members of the Library Committee. The improved accommodation has been much appreciated by readers at that Branch, and the issue of books has increased by more than ten per cent.

Further facilities for residents in No. 1 Ward will be provided in the projected new Public Baths to be erected at the junction of Cringle Street and Battersea Park Road. In the scheme for these buildings, as sanctioned by the Vestry, a fine room has been set apart for Library purposes.

The question of lighting the Central Library by electricity is still under consideration, although it is somewhat doubtful whether the funds at present at the disposal of the Committee will admit of the expenditure which the introduction of the electric light would involve.

During the year the Lecture Room at the Central Library has been frequently let for lectures, etc., several series of engagements having been made.

Arrangements have been made by which borrowers may, in addition to the ordinary lending library ticket, obtain a special duplicate ticket to be used exclusively for borrowing musical scores. This innovation appears to meet with the approval of musical readers, who are now enabled to borrow at the same time a book for reading and a volume of music.

The third edition of the Catalogue of the Lending Department of the Central Library is now in the press and will shortly be issued. In it the experiment has been tried of placing all works of fiction in a separate list, under authors and titles after the general catalogue, which, like the previous editions, is compiled on what is known as the "dictionary" plan.

A complete Card Catalogue of the Central Library Lending Department is also in course of preparation.

The third edition of the Lammas Hall Catalogue was published in May, 1897.

Cases of mutilation of newspapers and periodicals in the Reading Rooms continue to occur from time to time, but it is difficult to detect an offender in the act. On the 3rd of January last, however, a man was caught cutting an advertisement from a daily paper, and a prosecution was ordered by the Vestry. At the South Western Police Court, on February 8th, he was convicted and fined five shillings and costs, with the alternative of seven days' imprisonment with hard labour.

During the past year it has become clearly evident that the income produced by the present Library Rate of one penny in the pound is insufficient to meet the requirements of the Parish. The maintenance of the present establishment places a heavy burden upon that income, and it is only by the exercise of the most rigid economy that a financial breakdown can be avoided. The necessity for providing a Branch Library in No. 4 Ward,

a large portion of which lies beyond a radius of half-a-mile from the Central Library, has often been pointed out to the Committee, but it will not be possible to provide and maintain this and to equip and maintain the projected Branch Library in No. 1 Ward out of the present revenue. Further, the sum of money which is now applicable to the purchase of books is far too small to satisfy the reasonable requirements of readers, and in other ways the proper development of the Libraries is being hindered. The Library Committee are therefore of opinion that steps should at once be taken to obtain power to levy a further Library Rate of one penny in the pound, and they recommend the Vestry to take action in that direction.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, etc., are appended.

FRANCIS J. TAYLOR, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W.
*May 16th*, 1898.

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

| YEAR. | Reference Library. | Lending Library. | Lurline Gardens Branch. | Lammas Hall Branch. | Total Issues . | Total Stock. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1888-89 | ... | ... | ... | 46403 | 46403 | 5357 |
| 1889-90 | 3059 | 28293 | ... | 89473 | 120825 | 22841 |
| 1890-91 | 17971 | 192766 | 25725 | 45701 | 282163 | 28740 |
| 1891-92 | 15864 | 178261 | 46146 | 39387 | 279658 | 30038 |
| 1892-93 | 18212 | 171558 | 47062 | 38159 | 274991 | 31550 |
| 1893-94 | 22756 | 178936 | 49869 | 37679 | 289240 | 32981 |
| 1894-95 | 20753 | 180484 | 56232 | 39050 | 296519 | 34460 |
| 1895-96 | 17996 | 136129 | 44720 | 28917 | 227762 | 35860 |
| 1896-97 | 19697 | 164238 | 54944 | 33280 | 272159 | 38959 |
| 1897-98 | 21746 | 165919 | 59829 | 36987 | 284481 | 40930 |

# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1897 ... | 11140 |
| ,, ,, added 1897-98 ... ... ... | 495 |
| ,, ,, transferred to Lending Department | 2 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1898 ... | 11633 |
| ,, ,, issued 1897-98 ... ... ... | 21746 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 60 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 412 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1897 ... | 15031 |
| ,, ,, added 1897-98 ... ... ... | 718 |
| ,, ,, worn out and not replaced ... | 132 |
| ,, ,, in stock on March 25th, 1898 ... | 15617 |
| ,, ,, issued 1897-98 ... ... ... | 165919 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 554 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 34693 |
| ,, ,, ,, from March 26th, 1897, to March 25th, 1898 ... ... | 3430 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled ... ... ... ... | 3866 |
| ,, Borrowers on March 25th, 1898 ... ... | 6564 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 1037 |
| ,, ,, repaired ... ... ... ... | 2472 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 198 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 22 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1897-98.

| | | 1897. | Net Additions. | 1898. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 771 | 10 | 781 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 526 | 23 | 549 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1469 | 79 | 1548 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 2659 | 36 | 2695 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 417 | 1 | 418 |
| ,, F | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries,&c.... | 1326 | 52 | 1378 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 3972 | 292 | 4264 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 11140 | 493 | 11633 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1897-98.

| | | 1897. | Net Additions. | 1898. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 883 | 19 | 902 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 537 | 34 | 571 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1394 | 64 | 1458 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 4295 | 157 | 4452 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 533 | 33 | 566 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 5671 | 202 | 5873 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature... ... | 1718 | 77 | 1795 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 15031 | 586 | 15617 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH, 1897, TO MARCH 25TH, 1898.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 28 | 12 | 84 | 55 | 18 | 45 | 79 | 321 | 6 | 53 |
| April ... | 77 | 79 | 381 | 528 | 87 | 218 | 553 | 1923 | 30 | 64 |
| May ... | 79 | 46 | 487 | 334 | 31 | 173 | 410 | 1560 | 31 | 50 |
| June ... | 54 | 58 | 430 | 379 | 28 | 194 | 274 | 1417 | 30 | 47 |
| July ... | 81 | 44 | 297 | 367 | 46 | 125 | 215 | 1175 | 24 | 48 |
| August ... | 105 | 41 | 374 | 438 | 61 | 222 | 479 | 1720 | 31 | 55 |
| September | 102 | 70 | 401 | 508 | 60 | 197 | 702 | 2040 | 30 | 68 |
| October ... | 135 | 68 | 481 | 488 | 32 | 193 | 647 | 2044 | 31 | 65 |
| November | 99 | 67 | 397 | 400 | 43 | 167 | 610 | 1783 | 30 | 59 |
| December | 77 | 58 | 455 | 292 | 33 | 144 | 572 | 1631 | 30 | 54 |
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 127 | 133 | 402 | 490 | 24 | 225 | 578 | 1979 | 31 | 63 |
| February ... | 113 | 76 | 430 | 505 | 55 | 245 | 914 | 2338 | 28 | 83 |
| March 1st to 25th | 64 | 81 | 365 | 353 | 52 | 237 | 663 | 1815 | 25 | 72 |
| Totals... | 1141 | 833 | 4984 | 5137 | 570 | 2385 | 6696 | 21746 | 357 | 60 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1897-98.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total issue (March 26th, 1897, to March 25th, 1898) ... ... | 1953 |
| Sundays open ... ... ... ... ... ... | 51 |
| Average Sunday issue ... ... ... ... ... | 38 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH, 1897, TO MARCH 25TH, 1898.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 34 | 18 | 141 | 220 | 32 | 2891 | 79 | 3415 | 5 | 683 |
| April ... | 121 | 52 | 584 | 932 | 139 | 12442 | 366 | 14636 | 24 | 609 |
| May ... | 117 | 63 | 597 | 866 | 151 | 11814 | 360 | 13968 | 26 | 537 |
| June ... | 89 | 39 | 330 | 530 | 102 | 8277 | 233 | 9600 | 23 | 417 |
| July .. | 70 | 32 | 321 | 524 | 93 | 8330 | 198 | 9568 | 21 | 455 |
| August ... | 116 | 62 | 473 | 703 | 98 | 10644 | 303 | 12399 | 25 | 495 |
| September | 122 | 60 | 564 | 857 | 120 | 11845 | 395 | 13963 | 26 | 537 |
| October .. | 139 | 93 | 721 | 1033 | 144 | 13108 | 427 | 15665 | 26 | 602 |
| November... | 156 | 107 | 702 | 1030 | 149 | 12936 | 414 | 15494 | 26 | 595 |
| December... | 119 | 94 | 561 | 883 | 116 | 11463 | 333 | 13569 | 25 | 542 |
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 120 | 97 | 658 | 1064 | 171 | 13582 | 418 | 16110 | 26 | 619 |
| February ... | 133 | 73 | 691 | 1011 | 151 | 12788 | 359 | 15206 | 24 | 633 |
| March 1st to 25th | 122 | 74 | 548 | 859 | 127 | 10280 | 316 | 12326 | 22 | 560 |
| Totals ... | 1458 | 864 | 6891 | 10512 | 1593 | 140400 | 4201 | 165919 | 299 | 554 |

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1897 ... | 6269 |
| ,, ,, added 1897-98 ... ... ... ... | 556 |
| ,, ,, in stock on March 25th, 1898 ... | 6825 |
| ,, ,, issued 1897-98 ... ... ... ... | 59829 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 200 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 7948 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1897 ... | 1152 |
| ,, ,, on March 25th, 1898 ... ... ... | 2059 |
| ,, Tickets cancelled... ... ... ... ... | 954 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 506 |
| ,, Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... | 234 |
| ,, ,, replaced by borrowers ... ... ... | 5 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1897-98.

| | | 1897. | Additions. | 1898. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 234 | 12 | 246 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 201 | 26 | 227 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | 472 | 36 | 508 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1444 | 113 | 1557 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 282 | 15 | 297 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3052 | 278 | 3330 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 584 | 76 | 660 |
| | Totals ... ... | 6269 | 556 | 6825 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS FROM MARCH 26TH. 1897, TO MARCH, 25TH, 1898.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 3 | 5 | 34 | 35 | 11 | 992 | 34 | 1114 | 5 | 222 |
| April ... | 22 | 19 | 96 | 229 | 26 | 4249 | 192 | 4833 | 24 | 201 |
| May ... | 22 | 19 | 129 | 231 | 43 | 4181 | 155 | 4780 | 26 | 183 |
| June ... | 18 | 11 | 85 | 148 | 23 | 3129 | 130 | 3544 | 23 | 154 |
| July ... | 15 | 10 | 75 | 176 | 22 | 3152 | 118 | 3568 | 21 | 169 |
| August ... | 13 | 13 | 105 | 194 | 34 | 4113 | 209 | 4681 | 25 | 187 |
| September | 31 | 23 | 120 | 249 | 37 | 4228 | 280 | 4968 | 26 | 191 |
| October ... | 20 | 25 | 140 | 272 | 40 | 4652 | 289 | 5438 | 26 | 209 |
| November... | 34 | 31 | 155 | 287 | 52 | 4668 | 321 | 5548 | 26 | 213 |
| December... | 24 | 24 | 148 | 272 | 47 | 4232 | 148 | 4895 | 25 | 195 |
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 28 | 33 | 186 | 287 | 47 | 5089 | 307 | 5977 | 26 | 229 |
| February ... | 39 | 26 | 141 | 301 | 31 | 4785 | 269 | 5592 | 24 | 233 |
| March 1st to 25th | 31 | 17 | 161 | 286 | 34 | 4075 | 287 | 4891 | 22 | 222 |
| Totals ... | 300 | 256 | 1575 | 2967 | 447 | 51545 | 2739 | 59829 | 299 | 200 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH,

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1897 ... | 6519 |
| ,, ,, added 1897-98 ... ... ... ... | 336 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1898 ... | 6855 |
| ,, ,, issued 1897-98 ... ... ... ... | 36987 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 123 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 9854 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1897 ... | 699 |
| ,, ,, on March 25th, 1898 ... ... ... | 1186 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 201 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 101 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 3 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1897-98.

| | | 1897. | Additions. | 1898. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 426 | 4 | 430 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 226 | 15 | 241 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... ... | 486 | 10 | 496 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1263 | 57 | 1320 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 265 | 7 | 272 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3342 | 206 | 3548 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 511 | 37 | 548 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 6519 | 336 | 6855 |

# TABLE

## HOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM MARCH 26TH, 1897, TO MARCH 25TH, 1898.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1897. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | ... | 1 | 8 | 30 | 3 | 615 | 2 | 659 | 5 | 131 |
| April ... | 18 | 7 | 44 | 135 | 15 | 2817 | 34 | 3070 | 24 | 127 |
| May ... | 12 | 10 | 48 | 98 | 10 | 2740 | 37 | 2955 | 26 | 113 |
| June ... | 6 | 7 | 35 | 70 | 7 | 1993 | 23 | 2141 | 23 | 93 |
| July ... | 7 | 6 | 33 | 67 | 2 | 2049 | 18 | 2182 | 21 | 103 |
| August ... | 17 | 4 | 39 | 88 | 13 | 2568 | 35 | 2764 | 25 | 110 |
| September | 25 | 7 | 66 | 138 | 17 | 2741 | 55 | 3049 | 26 | 117 |
| October ... | 30 | 14 | 59 | 163 | 21 | 3164 | 71 | 3522 | 26 | 135 |
| November | 26 | 13 | 71 | 133 | 29 | 3075 | 60 | 3407 | 26 | 131 |
| December | 22 | 14 | 80 | 116 | 30 | 2793 | 76 | 3131 | 25 | 125 |
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 22 | 19 | 87 | 162 | 29 | 3220 | 71 | 3610 | 26 | 138 |
| February... | 19 | 14 | 108 | 175 | 27 | 3097 | 67 | 3507 | 24 | 146 |
| March 1st to 25th | 17 | 14 | 84 | 158 | 23 | 2642 | 52 | 2990 | 22 | 135 |
| Totals ... | 221 | 130 | 762 | 1533 | 226 | 33514 | 601 | 36987 | 299 | 123 |

# LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Accountants and Auditors, Society of ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Anderson, Anderson & Co., Messrs., 5 Fenchurch Avenue, E.C. | 1 | |
| Anonymous ... ... ... ... ... | 7 | |
| Anonymous, per Mr. John Grant, Bookseller, Edinburgh ... | 1 | |
| Berrington, R. E. W., Wolverhampton ... ... | | 1 |
| Bickerton, W. F., 39 Dunsmure Road, Stamford Hill, N. One periodical weekly. | | |
| Birt, Sir William, Great Eastern Railway, Liverpool Street, E.C. ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Booker, Messrs. W. and Co., Ye Plough, Clapham Junction, S.W. ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Bower, Mrs. Hubert, Onslow Lodge, 23 Manor Road, Folkestone ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Brewster, F. Carroll, c/o Messrs. Cassell & Co, La Belle Sauvage, Ludgate Hill, E.C ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Brinsmead, Edgar, 18 Wigmore Street, W. ... ... | 1 | |
| Britannia Company, Colchester ... ... ... | 2 | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the ... ... ... | 7 | 13 |
| Browitt, J. S., 2 Mallinson Road, Wandsworth Common, S.W. | 4 | |
| Browne, Messrs. T. B., Ltd., 163 Queen Victoria Street, E.C. | 1 | |
| Burgoyne, F. J., Public Library, Brixton Oval ... ... | 7 | |
| Burns, John, L.C.C., M.P., 108 Lavender Hill, S.W. ... (and Parliamentary Publications) | 5 | 34 |
| Byworth, Charles J., Cape Town, Cape Colony ... | 1 | |
| Cambridge Free Public Library ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Campbell, J. T., 8 Catherina Terrace, Lansdowne Road, S.W. | 8 | 5 |
| City and Guilds of London Institute, Gresham College, Basinghall Street, E.C. ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Clarke, Rev. Canon, 6 Altenburg Gardens, S.W. ... | 19 | |
| Clarke, Nickolls, & Coombs, Ltd., Messrs., Confectionery Works, Hackney Wick, N.E. ... ... ... | | 2 |
| Cook, Lady, Doughty House, Richmond, Surrey ... | 1 | |
| Currie, Messrs. Donald & Co., 3 and 4 Fenchurch Street, E.C. ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Curwen, J. Spencer, 8 and 9 Warwick Lane, E.C. ... | 1 | |
| Danson, J. T., c/o Messrs. Blades, East and Blades, 23 Abchurch Lane, E.C.... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Edwards, Francis, 83 High Street, Marylebone, W. Four engravings | | |
| Edwards, J. Passmore, 51 Bedford Square, W.C. ... | 1 | |
| Ellis, Charles, Lyme Regis, Dorset ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Fabbro, G., 79 High Street, Battersea, S.W. ... ... | 1 | |
| Fan Makers, Worshipful Company of ... ... | | 1 |
| "Farm, Field, and Fireside," The Publisher, 1 Essex Street, Strand, W.C. ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Fisher, F. H., 38 Shelgate Road, S.W. ... ... | | 1 |
| Friends' Tract Association, 15 Devonshire Street, Bishopsgate Without, E.C. ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Gravestock, James, 99 Harbut Road, Battersea, S.W. ... | 1 | |
| Great Northern Railway Company .. ... | 3 | |
| Hammersmith Vestry ... ... .. .. | | 1 |
| Hammond, Ernest, 149 Mallinson Road, S.W. ... .. | 1 | |
| Henderson, Alfred N., Clerk to the Guardians, Wandsworth and Clapham Union ... ... ... ... | | 11 |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| "Home Words," The Editor of, 7 Paternoster Square, E.C. | 3 | |
| Johnston, J. B., 11 Abchurch Lane, E.C. One periodical daily | | |
| Kearney, E., 35 Mysore Road, Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Knight, J., 49 Silverthorne Road, S.W. ... ... | 3 | |
| Life Boat Institution, Royal National ... ... | | 1 |
| London, Corporation of the City of, Library Committee ... | 3 | |
| London County Council. Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Cash Papers, as issued ... ... ... | 1 | 2 |
| London Directory Company, 25 Abchurch Lane, E.C. ... | 1 | |
| Long, Frederick, Adelaide Place, London Bridge, E.C. ... | | 6 |
| Love and Wyman, Messrs., Great Queen Street, W.C. ... | 1 | |
| Löwy, Miss Bella, 15 Acol Road, N.W. ... ... | 1 | |
| Macbrayne, David, 119 Hope Street, Glasgow ... ... | 1 | |
| Man, Isle of, Board of Advertising ... ... ... | | 6 |
| Mancini, Professor Diocleziano, Terni, Italy ... ... | 1 | |
| Marshall, E., 6 Pountney Road, Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical weekly and one monthly. | | |
| Mason, Thomas, 115 St. Martin's Lane, W.C. ... ... | 2 | |
| Matriculation Directory, Editor of the, 32 Red Lion Square, Holborn, W.C. ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| Meteorological Office, 63 Victoria Street, S.W. ... ... | | 131 |
| Mitchell, Messrs. C., & Co., 12 and 13 Red Lion Court, Fleet Street, E.C. ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Morris, Mrs. William, Kelmscott Press, Upper Mall, Hammersmith, W. ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| National Protestant Church Union, Council of the, 30 Charing Cross, S.W. ... ... ... ... | 2 | |
| New South Wales, Agent-General for, Westminster Chambers, 9 Victoria Street, S.W. Several Sydney newspapers ... | | 1 |
| North British Association of Gas Managers, Gas Works, Dumbarton ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Ontario Government Agency, Liverpool ... ... | 1 | |
| Palmer, H., 8 Tyneham Road, Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical monthly. | | |
| Parsons, C., 117 Winstanley Road, Battersea, S.W. ... | | 18 |
| Pearce, Miss ... ... ... ... ... | 37 | |
| Penkivil, Mrs., 14 Brynmaer Road, Battersea, S.W. ... | 2 | |
| Provident Loan Society of New York, 279 Fourth Avenue ... | 1 | |
| Queensland, Agent General for, Westminster Chambers, 1 Victoria Street, S.W. ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Randall, Frank H., 16 Geddes Road, S.W. ... ... | 1 | |
| Rogers, Lieut.-Col. E., 63 Overstrand Mansions, S.W. ... | 1 | |
| Safford, Mrs., 34 Cedars Road, Clapham, S.W. One periodical weekly. | | |
| School Board for London ... ... ... (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued.) | 4 | 9 |
| Sharp, Isaac, Secretary, Society of Friends, 12 Bishopgate Without, E.C. ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Shepherd, Mrs., 41 Brynmaer Road, Battersea, S.W. ... | 1 | |
| Shrewsbury Free Public Library and Museum ... ... | 1 | |
| Smith, E. W., 111 Ashbury Road, Battersea, S.W. ... | 24 | |
| Solly, Henry, c/o Messrs. Kegan Paul, Trench, Trubner & Co., Paternoster House, Charing Cross Road, W.C. ... | 1 | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| South London Entomological and Natural History Society | | 1 |
| Stationery Office, Her Majesty's. Prince's Street, Storey's Gate, S.W. ... ... ... ... | 69 | 2 |
| Stephens, W. Walker, Rosehall Lodge, Edinburgh ... | 1 | |
| Stubbs Publishing Co., Ltd., Dashwood House, New Broad Street, E.C. ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Sutton & Sons, Messrs., Reading ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Sutton, A., 39 Cromford Road, Wandsworth, S.W. ... | 18 | |
| Taylor, F. J., 54 Warriner Gardens, Battersea Park, S.W ... | 34 | |
| Taylor, Sedley, c/o Messrs. Macmillan & Co., St. Martin's Street, W.C. ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Telfer, Capt. J. Buchan, R.N., 3 Stanley Mansions, Chelsea, S.W. ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Thoresby Society. Publications ... ... ... | 7 | |
| Thornton, James H., c/o Messrs. Constable & Co., 2 Whitehall Gardens, Westminster, S.W. ... ... | 1 | |
| Trinity College, London ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| United Kingdom Alliance, London Auxiliary ... ... | 2 | |
| Veale, Chifferiel, & Co., Ltd., 31 to 37 Cursitor Street, Chancery Lane, E.C. ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Volta Bureau, Washington City, D.C., U.S.A. ... ... | 1 | 1 |
| Warren, Miss, 15 Eccles Road, S.W., and 21 pieces of music | 13 | |
| Webb, Arthur, Kootenay, Durham Road, Wimbledon ... | 1 | |
| Williams & Norgate, Messrs., 14 Henrietta Street, Covent Garden, W.C. ... ... ... ... | 8 | |

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Aston Manor
Ayr
Barrow-in-Furness
Belfast
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Birmingham
Blackburn
Blackpool
Bolton
Bootle
Bournemouth
Bradford
Brentford
Brighton
Bristol
Bromley
Buxton
Cambridge
Cambridge (University)
Cardiff
Carlisle
Chiswick
Colchester
Croydon
Derby
Dewsbury
Dublin
Dukinfield
Ealing
Eastbourne
Edinburgh
Falmouth
Folkestone
Glasgow (Baillie's Institution)
Glasgow (Stirling's & Glasgow)
Gosport and Alverstoke
Great Yarmouth
Hanley
Harlesden
Hindley
Hove
Hyde
Kidderminster
Kilburn
Kingston-upon-Hull
Leamington
Leeds
Leek (Nicholson Institute)
Leicester
Lincoln
Liverpool
London :—
- Chelsea
- Clapham
- Fulham
- Hammersmith
- Hampstead
- Holborn
- Lambeth
- Marylebone
- Poplar
- Rotherhithe
- St. Bride Foundation Institute
- St. George, Hanover Square
- St. Giles
- St. Martin-in-the-fields and St. Paul, Covent Garden
- Shoreditch
- Stoke Newington
- Streatham
- Westminster
- Whitechapel

Longton
Loughborough
Manchester
Middlesbrough
Newcastle-under-Lyme
Newcastle-upon-Tyne
New South Wales, Australia
Norwich
Oxford
Oxford (Bodleian)
Peterborough
Plymouth
Portsmouth
Preston

Richmond, Surrey
Rochdale
Runcorn
St. Helens
Salford
Shrewsbury
Smethwick
South Shields
Southampton
Stafford
Tokyo, Japan
Tonbridge
Toronto, Canada
Twickenham
United States of America:—
Baltimore (Enoch Pratt)
Boston
New York (Aguilar)
New York (Mercantile)
St. Louis (Mercantile)
Walsall
West Bromwich
West Ham
Whitehaven
Wigan
Willesden Green
Wolverhampton
York



The Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea.

# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## TWELFTH

# ANNUAL REPORT.

1898-99.

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1899.

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1898-99.

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# REPORT.

The Library Committee beg to submit their Report for the twelve months ended March 25th, 1899.

The total number of registered borrowers is 10,436, of whom 6,992 are enrolled at the Central Library, 2,136 at Lurline Gardens, and 1,308 at Lammas Hall.

The total number of volumes in stock is 42,775, of which 11,690 are in the Reference Department and 16,644 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 7,280 at Lurline Gardens, and 7,161 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 1,845 volumes, 162 of these having been presented and 1,683 purchased.

The total number of volumes issued during the year was 287,639, of which 23,098 were given out in the Reference Department and 166,150 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 58,854 at Lurline Gardens, and 39,537 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 284,481.

The extension of the Central Library, which was in progress at the date of the last Report, was satisfactorily completed by the Works Department in July, 1898, at a total cost of £2,159 1s. 10d. As a result the Lending Department has been enlarged by the addition of 1,160 square feet to its superficial area, the space set apart for the public, the staff, and the storage of books being alike materially increased. A new counter nearly 50 feet long has been arranged opposite the East windows with

abundant light for the Indicator and ample room for the movements of readers, to whom these alterations have given much satisfaction.

With a view of extending the use of the Libraries by children, reading rooms for their use have been opened at each of the Branch Libraries and supplied with suitable periodicals. Special tickets for juvenile borrowers under 14 years of age have also been issued for the Lending Departments, thus practically abolishing the age limit fixed by the rules. At the same time large purchases have been made of books suited to the capacity of children of varying ages, and the Committee have much pleasure in reporting that those for whom they were intended have freely taken advantage of the facilities thus provided. The Committee believe that the movement thus initiated is not exceeded in importance by any other branch of their work, and they feel sure that it will have far-reaching effects not only upon the development and use of the Libraries but upon the mental culture of the youth of the parish. In order to enlist the co-operation of the Teachers, without whose sympathy and assistance it was felt that little could be done, a Conference was held on October 28th, 1898, in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, to which all Teachers and Managers of schools in the parish were invited as well as the Inspectors of the Education Department and the School Board for London. At this meeting a most useful interchange of views took place, and the Committee have been able to devise a scheme which owes much to the suggestions of those present at the Conference and seems likely to further their object of interesting the younger children in the Libraries, and cultivating the habit of reading among them before they leave school. The Teachers have very kindly assisted by undertaking the distribution of vouchers and borrowers' cards to the children under their charge, in many cases acting as guarantors and giving advice as to the choice of books.

A special department for Juvenile Literature has been added to each lending library and supplied with standard books in each class of literature, most of which have been specially written for children. The Committee hope to still further extend these departments during the coming year so as to provide ample means for supplying all the demands of this important branch of their work. The number of juvenile borrowers enrolled on March 25th was 664, of whom 514 were enrolled at the Central Library, 117 at Lurline Gardens, and 33 at Lammas Hall, a number which the Committee confidently expect to see greatly increased in the near future.

In furtherance of a resolution adopted by the Conference, a deputation from the Library Committee waited upon the Works Committee of the School Board on January 30th, 1899, to represent the desirability of the Board Schools being opened in the evenings and on Saturdays to the children attending them for the purposes of reading and recreation, but the School Board have replied that they cannot incur any expenditure for such purposes. The Board have, however, purchased copies of the Library Catalogues for the use of the Board Schools in the parish.

Last year the Committee decided to provide an extra ticket for supplying music to readers; 757 of these tickets have been issued and the privilege has been greatly appreciated by musical readers. The Committee have considered the advisability of substituting a Student's Ticket for the music ticket so that readers might have an educational work in addition to a volume of fiction. By this means the wishes of those who are not musical could be met, but for the present the Committee cannot see their way to more generally extend the privilege.

With the approval of the Vestry a portion of the vacant land at the rear of the Central Library has been let to the Highways

and Dusting Committee for storage purposes at an annual rental of £50, and the Vestry have at the same time enclosed the frontage of this ground in Altenburg Gardens with a brick wall and a pair of suitable gates.

A third edition of the Catalogue of the Central Lending Department was published in May last, and a second edition of the Catalogue of the Lurline Gardens Branch is now in the press and will be issued immediately. It is also proposed to print catalogues of the Juvenile Departments at an early date.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, &c., are appended.

HERBERT J. WOOD, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W.
*April 17th*, 1899.

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

| YEAR. | Reference Library. | Lending Library. | Lurline Gardens Branch. | Lammas Hall Branch. | Total Issues. | Total Stock. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1888-89 | ... | ... | ... | 46,403 | 46,403 | 5,357 |
| 1889-90 | 3,059 | 28,293 | ... | 89,473 | 120,825 | 22,841 |
| 1890-91 | 17,971 | 192,766 | 25,725 | 45,701 | 282,163 | 28,740 |
| 1891-92 | 15,864 | 178,261 | 46,146 | 39,387 | 279,658 | 30,038 |
| 1892-93 | 18,212 | 171,558 | 47,062 | 38,159 | 274,991 | 31,550 |
| 1893-94 | 22,756 | 178,936 | 49,869 | 37,679 | 289,240 | 32,981 |
| 1894-95 | 20,753 | 180,484 | 56,232 | 39,050 | 296,519 | 34,460 |
| 1895-96 | 17,996 | 136,129 | 44,720 | 28,917 | 227,762 | 35,860 |
| 1896-97 | 19,697 | 164,238 | 54,944 | 33,280 | 272,159 | 38,959 |
| 1897-98 | 21,746 | 165,919 | 59,829 | 36,987 | 284,481 | 40,930 |
| 1898-99 | 23,098 | 166,150 | 58,854 | 39,537 | 287,639 | 42,775 |

# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1898 ... | 11633 |
| ,, ,, added 1898-99 ... ... ... | 402 |
| ,, ,, transferred to Lending Department | 345 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1899 ... | 11690 |
| ,, ,, issued 1898-99 ... ... ... | 23098 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 64 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 234 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1898 ... | 15617 |
| ,, ,, added 1898-99 ... ... ... | 1027 |
| ,, ,, in stock on March 25th, 1899 ... | 16644 |
| ,, ,, issued 1898-99 ... ... ... | 166150 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 553 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 38562 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1898... | 3869 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 25th, 1899 ... | 6992 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 514 |
| ,, Music Tickets issued ... ... ... ... | 566 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 1036 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 380 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 31 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1898-99.

| | | 1898. | Additions. | Deductions. | 1899. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy... | 781 | 4 | — | 785 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 549 | 20 | — | 569 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... | 1548 | 26 | — | 1574 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 2695 | 56 | — | 2751 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 418 | 19 | — | 437 |
| ,, F | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c. ... ... | 1378 | 83 | — | 1461 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature... | 4264 | 194 | 345 | 4113 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 11633 | 402 | 345 | 11690 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1898-99.

| | | 1898. | Additions. | 1899. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 902 | 19 | 921 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 571 | 35 | 606 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1458 | 115 | 1573 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 4452 | 161 | 4613 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 566 | 17 | 583 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 5873 | 148 | 6021 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 1795 | 71 | 1866 |
| ,, H | Magazines ... ... ... ... | — | 351 | 351 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | — | 110 | 110 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 15617 | 1027 | 16644 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH, 1898, TO MARCH 25TH, 1899.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 17 | 20 | 78 | 85 | 2 | 61 | 120 | 383 | 6 | 63 |
| April ... | 78 | 80 | 387 | 446 | 35 | 203 | 508 | 1737 | 30 | 57 |
| May ... | 121 | 80 | 464 | 333 | 45 | 209 | 438 | 1690 | 31 | 54 |
| June ... | 108 | 40 | 439 | 312 | 126 | 295 | 393 | 1713 | 30 | 57 |
| July ... | 82 | 26 | 306 | 246 | 43 | 176 | 311 | 1190 | 24 | 49 |
| August ... | 130 | 50 | 380 | 501 | 38 | 199 | 443 | 1741 | 31 | 56 |
| September | 85 | 76 | 459 | 462 | 81 | 205 | 514 | 1882 | 30 | 62 |
| October ... | 142 | 70 | 500 | 600 | 135 | 269 | 555 | 2271 | 31 | 73 |
| November | 92 | 67 | 598 | 730 | 135 | 232 | 658 | 2512 | 30 | 83 |
| December | 156 | 65 | 493 | 497 | 105 | 254 | 458 | 2028 | 30 | 67 |
| 1899. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 99 | 117 | 512 | 604 | 147 | 225 | 547 | 2251 | 31 | 72 |
| February... | 135 | 77 | 429 | 615 | 98 | 263 | 539 | 2156 | 28 | 77 |
| March 1st to 25th | 82 | 63 | 285 | 507 | 65 | 164 | 378 | 1544 | 25 | 61 |
| Totals... | 1327 | 831 | 5330 | 5938 | 1055 | 2755 | 5862 | 23098 | 357 | 64 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1898-99.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total issue (March 26th, 1898, to March 25th, 1899) ... ... | 1942 |
| Sundays open ... ... ... ... ... ... | 50 |
| Average Sunday issue ... ... ... ... ... | 38 |

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| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Magazines. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 31 | 15 | 129 | 212 | 42 | 2592 | 66 | ... | 3087 | 5 | 617 |
| April ... | 108 | 61 | 682 | 895 | 182 | 12354 | 341 | ... | 14623 | 24 | 617 |
| May ... | 125 | 60 | 636 | 800 | 154 | 11098 | 300 | ... | 13173 | 25 | 526 |
| June ... | 85 | 62 | 549 | 596 | 112 | 8932 | 273 | ... | 10609 | 25 | 424 |
| July .. | 66 | 26 | 499 | 426 | 94 | 8190 | 234 | ... | 9535 | 20 | 476 |
| August ... | 96 | 54 | 645 | 696 | 102 | 9806 | 334 | ... | 11733 | 26 | 451 |
| September | 104 | 70 | 790 | 812 | 116 | 11275 | 363 | ... | 13530 | 26 | 520 |
| October ... | 141 | 96 | 1007 | 1035 | 187 | 12253 | 401 | ... | 15120 | 26 | 581 |
| November... | 136 | 81 | 936 | 1063 | 148 | 11909 | 382 | 146 | 14801 | 26 | 569 |
| December... | 145 | 64 | 906 | 929 | 132 | 11133 | 331 | 289 | 13929 | 25 | 557 |
| 1899. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 150 | 80 | 1044 | 1105 | 155 | 12317 | 468 | 323 | 15642 | 26 | 601 |
| February ... | 159 | 97 | 1009 | 1310 | 204 | 12547 | 467 | 359 | 16152 | 24 | 673 |
| March 1st to 25th | 129 | 100 | 853 | 1019 | 173 | 11250 | 407 | 285 | 14216 | 22 | 646 |
| Totals ... | 1475 | 866 | 9685 | 10898 | 1801 | 135656 | 4367 | 1402 | 166150 | 300 | 553 |

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1898 ... | 6825 |
| ,, ,, added 1898-99 ... ... ... ... | 455 |
| ,, ,, in stock on March 25th, 1899 ... | 7280 |
| ,, ,, issued 1898-99 ... ... ... ... | 58854 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 196 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 8905 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1898 ... | 957 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 25th, 1899 ... | 2136 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 117 |
| ,, Music Tickets issued ... ... ... ... | 119 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 326 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... | 194 |
| ,, replaced by borrowers ... ... ... ... | 4 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1898-99.

| | | 1898. | Additions. | 1899. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 246 | 25 | 271 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 227 | 10 | 237 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | 508 | 38 | 546 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1557 | 144 | 1701 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 297 | 6 | 303 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3330 | 79 | 3409 |
| , G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 660 | 44 | 704 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | — | 109 | 109 |
| | Totals ... ... | 6825 | 455 | 7280 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS FROM MARCH 26TH 1898, TO MARCH, 25TH, 1899

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous. Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 3 | 9 | 41 | 62 | 8 | 952 | 63 | 1138 | 5 | 227 |
| April ... | 20 | 16 | 174 | 283 | 37 | 4485 | 203 | 5218 | 24 | 217 |
| May ... | 24 | 21 | 172 | 287 | 24 | 4144 | 221 | 4893 | 25 | 195 |
| June ... | 15 | 12 | 142 | 203 | 60 | 3446 | 223 | 4101 | 25 | 164 |
| July ... | 11 | 7 | 127 | 160 | 18 | 3009 | 148 | 3480 | 20 | 174 |
| August ... | 14 | 18 | 139 | 245 | 38 | 3885 | 144 | 4483 | 26 | 172 |
| September | 24 | 16 | 184 | 231 | 30 | 4162 | 162 | 4809 | 26 | 184 |
| October ... | 19 | 19 | 202 | 291 | 29 | 4367 | 221 | 5148 | 26 | 198 |
| November... | 18 | 23 | 216 | 304 | 40 | 4243 | 254 | 5098 | 26 | 196 |
| December... | 31 | 13 | 197 | 266 | 32 | 3908 | 237 | 4684 | 25 | 197 |
| 1899. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 39 | 23 | 210 | 300 | 36 | 4447 | 328 | 5383 | 26 | 207 |
| February ... | 26 | 22 | 178 | 358 | 36 | 4552 | 308 | 5480 | 24 | 228 |
| March 1st to 25th | 28 | 16 | 158 | 293 | 24 | 4165 | 255 | 4939 | 22 | 224 |
| Totals ... | 272 | 215 | 2140 | 3283 | 412 | 49765 | 2767 | 58854 | 300 | 196 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH,

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1898 ... | 6855 |
| ,, ,, added 1898-99 ... ... ... ... | 306 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1899 ... | 7161 |
| ,, ,, issued 1898-99 ... ... ... ... | 39537 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 131 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 10508 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1898 ... | 653 |
| ,, ,, on March 25th, 1899 ... ... ... | 1308 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 33 |
| ,, Music Tickets issued ... ... ... ... | 72 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 342 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 186 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 1 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1898-99.

| | | 1898. | Additions. | 1899. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 430 | 6 | 436 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 241 | 9 | 250 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... ... | 496 | 40 | 536 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1320 | 53 | 1373 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 272 | 6 | 278 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3548 | 78 | 3626 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 548 | 14 | 562 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | — | 100 | 100 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 6855 | 306 | 7161 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM MARCH 26TH, 1898, TO MARCH 25TH, 1899.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1898. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 3 | 1 | 21 | 35 | 3 | 641 | 18 | 722 | 5 | 144 |
| April ... | 30 | 6 | 103 | 210 | 40 | 3244 | 70 | 3703 | 24 | 154 |
| May ... | 15 | 4 | 98 | 153 | 30 | 2926 | 74 | 3300 | 25 | 132 |
| June ... | 14 | 6 | 69 | 105 | 13 | 2287 | 33 | 2527 | 25 | 101 |
| July ... | 10 | 2 | 45 | 63 | 9 | 2051 | 24 | 2204 | 20 | 110 |
| August ... | 24 | 8 | 65 | 98 | 32 | 2634 | 41 | 2902 | 26 | 111 |
| September | 24 | 6 | 102 | 118 | 17 | 2929 | 50 | 3246 | 26 | 124 |
| October ... | 17 | 8 | 122 | 148 | 41 | 3162 | 72 | 3570 | 26 | 137 |
| November | 24 | 9 | 131 | 159 | 28 | 3191 | 59 | 3601 | 26 | 138 |
| December | 14 | 8 | 118 | 178 | 28 | 2848 | 59 | 3253 | 25 | 130 |
| 1899. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 27 | 12 | 129 | 166 | 21 | 3083 | 84 | 3522 | 26 | 135 |
| February ... | 31 | 11 | 116 | 193 | 34 | 3185 | 71 | 3641 | 24 | 151 |
| March 1st to 25th | 28 | 7 | 94 | 151 | 24 | 2998 | 44 | 3346 | 22 | 152 |
| Totals ... | 261 | 88 | 1213 | 1777 | 320 | 35179 | 699 | 39537 | 300 | 131 |

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Accountants and Auditors, Society of ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Agriculture, Department of, Ottawa, D. C. ... ... | 1 | |
| Allbut, Robert, 190 Lavender Hill, S.W. ... ... | 3 | |
| Austin, Mrs., 132 Lavender Hill, S.W. One periodical weekly | | |
| Ayling, G. I., 30 Linda Street, Battersea. One periodical monthly ... ... ... ... ... | | |
| Besant, Sir Walter, per H. Stone, 68 Sugden Road, S.W. ... | 1 | |
| Birt, Sir W., Great Eastern Railway, Liverpool Street, E.C.... | 6 | |
| British Museum, Trustees of the ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Browne, Messrs. T. B. & Co., 163 Queen Victoria Street, E.C. | 1 | |
| Bureau of Education, Washington, U S.A. ... ... | 2 | |
| Burns, John, L.C.C., M.P., 108 Lavender Hill, S.W. ... (and Parliamentary Publications) | 24 | |
| Byatt, John, 15 Kathleen Road, Battersea ... ... | 30 | |
| Byworth, C. J., Town Clerk, Cape Town, South Africa ... | 1 | |
| Canada, High Commissioner for ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Carnegie, Andrew, c/o Darien Press, Edinburgh ... ... | 2 | |
| Cater, Arthur, 7 Whitehall Yard, S.W. One plan of the site of Battersea Park, dated 1845 ... ... ... | 5 | |
| Catholic Newspaper Guild, per J. Kerr, 16 Chapel Street, W.C. ... ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Catholic Truth Society, 69 Southwark Bridge Road. Three periodicals monthly ... ... ... ... | | |
| Champness, Messrs. Arthur & Co., 33 Imperial Buildings, E.C. | 1 | |
| City and Guilds of London Institute, Gresham College, Basinghall Street, E C. ... ... . . | | 6 |
| Clarke, Rev. Canon Erskine, 6 Altenburg Gardens, Clapham Common ... ... ... ... ... | 45 | |
| Coats, Thomas, Family of the late, of Ferguslie, per Messrs. Adam and Charles Black, Soho Square, W. ... ... | 3 | |
| Coe, Rev. C. C., "Whinsbridge," Grosvenor Road, Bournemouth ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Cresswell, S. C., 5 Queen's Place, South Lambeth. One periodical monthly ... ... ... ... | | |
| Crooklands, J., 10 Queen's Road, Richmond ... ... | 3 | |
| Davitt, Michael, M.P., 67 Park Road, Battersea ... ... | 48 | |
| Dougal, Messrs. F. H. & Co., 62 Strand, W.C. ... ... | 1 | |
| Dunn, Messrs. H. & Co., 20 Savoy House, Strand, W.C. ... | 2 | |
| East End Emigration Fund ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Fairbairn, Miss H., 41 Brynmaer Road, Battersea ... | 9 | |
| Falmouth Free Library ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Flanagan, F. W., 67 and 68 King William Street, E.C. ... | 3 | |
| Free Labour Protection Association, 7 Victoria Street, S.W. | 4 | 1 |
| Gordon, Rev. E. G., 33 Sisters Avenue, Clapham Common. One periodical weekly... ... ... ... | | |
| Griffin, Harold, 54 High Street, Battersea ... ... | | 2 |
| Hammersmith Vestry ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Hammond, Ernest, 23 Henderson Road, Wandsworth Common ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Hampton, W., 17 Farringdon Street, E.C. ... ... | 1 | |
| Heide, John, 332 Portobello Road, North Kensington, W. One periodical weekly... ... ... ... | | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets. etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Hentsch, H. A., 75 Bridge Road, Battersea. Three periodicals weekly... ... ... ... ... | | |
| Hills, H. G., Board of Works, Wandsworth ... ... | 12 | |
| Hogg, J. F., 44 Dorothy Road, S.W. ... ... ... | 1 | |
| "Home Words," The Editor of, 7 Paternoster Square, E.C... | 4 | |
| Jones, E. C., 40 Chatsworth Road .. ... ... | 24 | |
| Lane, J. N., 18 Clapham Mansions, Clapham. One periodical monthly ... ... ... ... | | |
| Lilley, Miss, Victor House, Bromfelde Road, Clapham. One periodical monthly ... ... ... ... | | |
| London County Council. Minutes of Proceedings and Weekly Cash Papers, as issued ... ... ... | 2 | |
| London Directory Company, 25 Abchurch Lane, E.C. ... | 3 | |
| McNair, R., 33 Claylands Road, Clapham ... ... | 1 | |
| Maidstone Corporation, per W. Ruck, 11 High Street, Maidstone ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Mason, C. E., 455 Battersea Park Road, S.W. One periodical weekly ... ... ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Methuen, Messrs. & Co., 36 Essex Street, Strand, W.C. ... | 1 | |
| Mitchell, Messrs. C. & Co., 12 and 13 Red Lion Court, E.C. | 1 | |
| Morgan, Mrs., 25 Octavia Street, Battersea. Two periodicals weekly ... ... ... ... ... | | |
| Musicians, Incorporated Society of, 19 Berners Street, W. ... | 1 | |
| National Deposit Friendly Society, 124 Larkhall Lane, S.W. One periodical monthly ... ... ... | | |
| National Protestant League ... ... ... | 1 | |
| New South Wales, Agent-General for, 9 Victoria Street, S.W. | 1 | |
| Newman, H. S., 14 Broad Street, Leominster ... ... | 1 | |
| Ontario Government Agency, 9 James Street, Liverpool ... | 1 | |
| Peck, W. E., 9 Broad Street Corner, Birmingham ... | 1 | |
| Prevention of Cruelty to Children, National Society for the... | 1 | |
| Queensland, Agent-General for, 1 Victoria Street, S.W. ... | 2 | |
| Sadler, Ralph, Coldharbour, near Dorking ... ... | 4 | |
| Sanitary Institute, Parkes Museum, Margaret Street, W. ... | 1 | |
| Sarjant, T. Alan, Free Library, Buxton ... ... | | 1 |
| School Board for London ... .. ... ... (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued) | 2 | |
| Sell, Henry, 167 Fleet Street, E.C. ... ... ... | 6 | |
| Shadwell, Arthur, c/o Messrs. Longmans, Green, & Co., 39 Paternoster Row, E.C. ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Sillito, Walter, 47 Palmerston Street, Battersea ... ... | 21 | |
| Simpkin, Marshall, Messrs. & Co., 4 Stationers' Hall Court, E.C. ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Smithsonian Institution, Washington, U.S.A. ... ... | 1 | 14 |
| Spackman, H. C., 56 Marmion Road, S.W. Four plates representing the Battle of Omdurman, 1898. One periodical weekly ... ... ... ... | 3 | |
| Speirs, James, 1 Bloomsbury Street, W.C. ... ... | 6 | |
| Stationery Office, Her Majesty's ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Telfer, Captain J. Buchan, R.N., "Yalta," Manor Road, Beckenham ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Tovey, Philip, 28 Trothy Road, S.E. One periodical monthly | | |
| Trinity College, London ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Tuer, Andrew W., 50 Leadenhall Street, E.C. ... ... | 2 | |
| United Kingdom Alliance, London Auxiliary of the ... | 3 | |

| | Vols. | Pamphlets. etc. |
|---|---|---|
| University Correspondence College Press ... ... | 4 | |
| Veale, Chifferiel, Messrs. & Co., 31—37 Cursitor Street, E.C. | 1 | |
| Victorian Government Agricultural Department ... | 1 | |
| Volta Bureau, Washington, U.S.A. ... ... ... | 2 | 6 |
| Want, T., Hatton House, Great Queen Street, W.C. ... | | 6 |
| Warren, Miss. 15 Eccles Road, S.W. ... ... ... | 18 | |
| Waterland, T. C., 28 Octavia Street, Battersea ... ... | 1 | |
| Webb, Arthur, "Kootenay," Durham Road, Wimbledon ... | 1 | |
| West Ham Public Libraries ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Wilson, C., 197 London Road, St. Leonards-on-Sea. Two periodicals weekly; one monthly... ... ... | 5 | 1 |
| Working Men's College, 46 Great Ormond Street, W.C. ... | | 3 |

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Ashton-under-Lyne
Aston Manor
Ayr
Barrow-in-Furness
Belfast
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Blackpool
Bolton
Bootle
Bradford
Brentford
Brighton
Bristol
Bromley
Buxton
Cambridge
Cambridge (University)
Cardiff
Carlisle
Cheltenham
Chiswick
Clitheroe
Cork
Croydon
Derby
Devon and Exeter
Dewsbury
Doncaster
Dukinfield
Dundee
Ealing
Eastbourne
Falmouth
Folkestone
Glasgow (Baillie's Institution)
Glasgow (Stirling's & Glasgow)
Gosport and Alverstoke
Great Yarmouth
Hanley
Harlesden
Hindley
Hove
Hyde
Kettering
Kidderminster
Kilburn
Kingston-upon-Hull
Kingston-upon-Thames
Lancaster
Leamington
Leeds
Leeds (Institute of Science, Art and Literature)
Leek
Leicester
Leigh
Leyton
Lincoln
Liverpool
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- Bishopsgate Institute
- Chelsea
- Clapham
- Cripplegate Institute
- Fulham
- Hammersmith
- Hampstead
- Holborn
- Poplar
- Rotherhithe
- St. Bride Foundation Institute
- St. George, Hanover Square
- St. Giles
- St. Martin-in-the-Fields and St. Paul, Covent Garden
- St. Saviour's, Southwark
- Shoreditch
- Stoke Newington
- Streatham

Longton
Loughborough
Manchester
Middlesbrough
Newark-on-Trent
Newcastle-under-Lyme

Newport
Norwich
Nottingham
Oxford
Oxford (Bodleian)
Penarth
Penge
Peterborough
Plymouth
Portsmouth
Preston
Reading
Richmond, Surrey
Rochdale
Runcorn
Salford
Sheffield
Smethwick
South Shields
Southampton
Southport
Stafford
Sydney, New South Wales
Tokyo, Japan
Toronto, Canada
Twickenham
United States of America:—
Baltimore (Enoch Pratt)
Boston
Los Angeles, Cal.
New York (Aguilar)
New York (Mercantile)
New York (State)
Salem, Mass.
Walsall
Walthamstow
West Bromwich
West Ham
West Hartlepool
Widnes
Wigan
Willesden Green
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Wolverhampton
Wrexham
York





CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL, S.W.

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Battersea.

# BATTERSEA

# PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

## THIRTEENTH

# ANNUAL REPORT.

**1899-1900.**

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1900.

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# REPORT.

The Library Committee beg to submit their Report for the twelve months ended March 25th, 1900.

The total number of registered borrowers is 12,264, of whom 8,094 are enrolled at the Central Library, 2,488 at Lurline Gardens, and 1,682 at Lammas Hall.

The total number of volumes in stock is 46,314, of which 12,160 are in the Reference Department and 18,015 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 8,118 at Lurline Gardens, and 8,021 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 3,595 volumes, 213 of these having been presented and 3,382 purchased.

The total number of volumes issued during the year was 329,863, of which 23,858 were given out in the Reference Department and 187,602 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 68,573 at Lurline Gardens, and 49,830 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 287,639.

In order to simplify the arrangements under which books may be borrowed for home reading a regulation has been made which allows any person over the age of 21 resident in the Parish to sign a voucher on his or her own behalf without the intervention of a guarantor. Guarantees are therefore now only required for persons under the age mentioned. Borrowers' cards are now issued three days after application has been made, instead of seven days as was formerly the case.

During the past year a Students' ticket has been substituted for the Music ticket which was previously in force, so that a reader may now obtain an extra ticket with which any book, except a work of fiction, may be borrowed. This privilege should be of value to Students and others who desire to take out more than one book at a time, and at the date of this Report 696 of these additional tickets were in use.

In the Reference Library a number of shelves containing about 400 volumes of those works which are in most frequent demand have been thrown open to Readers, who can help themselves freely to such books as they require without going through the form of filling up an application slip. During the six months which have elapsed since the inauguration of this experiment not a single book has been lost, and the additional wear and tear has been very slight.

The Juvenile Departments continue to be well used, the number of Juvenile Borrowers having increased to 1,619, and the Children's Reading Rooms are as well attended as ever. With the sanction of the School Board for London arrangements have been made, under Article 12g of the Education Code, for visits to the Libraries of parties of Children from the elementary schools during school hours. Such visits, it is believed, will have the effect of making the Libraries and the facilities they provide, better known to the Children, and the Committee take this opportunity of thanking those Teachers who have so kindly shown their interest by co-operating in the movement. A Catalogue of Juvenile Books in the Central Library has been published, and similar catalogues for the Branches will shortly be issued.

An arrangement has also been made with the Guardians of the Wandsworth and Clapham Union for the loan of books from the Libraries of the Parish for the use of Inmates of the Workhouse and the Tooting Home. One hundred volumes are forwarded to each of these Institutions from the Central Library once a

fortnight and fifty volumes of Juvenile books are sent from the Lammas Hall Branch. An attempt which was made to enlist the co-operation in this useful work of the other Library Authorities in the Union met with no success, but the books furnished by the Battersea Libraries are placed at the service of all the inmates of the Institutions mentioned, without regard to their respective parishes.

Negotiations are in progress which it is hoped will result in the deposit in the Reference Library of the ancient books and documents relating to the Parish which are at present in the custody of the Vestry, the Churchwardens and Overseers, and other Authorities. It is believed that such a step would be of considerable advantage to the public, as these interesting memorials of the past would, if placed in charge of the Library Committee, be catalogued and rendered available for public use, and moreover would be carefully preserved for future reference.

A fourth edition of the Indicator-Key of Class F (Fiction) in the Central Lending Department is now in the press, and will be shortly published.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, &c., are appended.

THOMAS C. WATERLAND, *Chairman.*

LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

Battersea Public Library,
Lavender Hill, London, S.W
*April 30th*, 1900.

# MEMORANDA RELATING TO THE PARISH OF BATTERSEA.

Population (1896), 165,115.

Area (exclusive of water), 2,170 acres.

Rateable value, £947,473.

Amount produced by penny rate, £3,650.

Public Libraries Acts adopted, 16 March, 1887,

First Commissioners appointed, 1 June, 1887.

First Librarian appointed, 20 July, 1887.

Temporary Reading Room opened, 27 September, 1887.

Lammas Hall Branch Library opened, 25 October, 1888.

Central Library opened, 26 March, 1890.

Lurline Gardens Branch opened, 30 September, 1890.

The Libraries transferred to the Vestry, 26 March, 1896.

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

| YEAR. | Reference Library. | Lending Library. | Lurline Gardens Branch. | Lammas Hall Branch. | Total Issues. | Total Stock. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1888-89 | ... | ... | ... | 46,403 | 46,403 | 5,357 |
| 1889-90 | 3,059 | 28,293 | ... | 89,473 | 120,825 | 22,841 |
| 1890-91 | 17,971 | 192,766 | 25,725 | 45,701 | 282,163 | 28,740 |
| 1891-92 | 15,864 | 178,261 | 46,146 | 39,387 | 279,658 | 30,038 |
| 1892-93 | 18,212 | 171,558 | 47,062 | 38,159 | 274,991 | 31,550 |
| 1893-94 | 22,756 | 178,936 | 49,869 | 37,679 | 289,240 | 32,981 |
| 1894-95 | 20,753 | 180,484 | 56,232 | 39,050 | 296,519 | 34,460 |
| 1895-96 | 17,996 | 136,129 | 44,720 | 28,917 | 227,762 | 35,860 |
| 1896-97 | 19,697 | 164,238 | 54,944 | 33,280 | 272,159 | 38,959 |
| 1897-98 | 21,746 | 165,919 | 59,829 | 36,987 | 284,481 | 40,930 |
| 1898-99 | 23,098 | 166,150 | 58,854 | 39,537 | 287,639 | 42,775 |
| 1899-1900 | 23,858 | 187,602 | 68,573 | 49,830 | 329,863 | 46,314 |

# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1899 ... | 11690 |
| , ,, added 1899-1900 ... ... ... | 472 |
| ,, ,, transferred to Lending Department | 2 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1900 ... | 12160 |
| ,, ,, issued 1899-1900 ... ... ... | 23858 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 66 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 448 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1899 ... | 16644 |
| ,, ,, added 1899-1900 ... ... ... | 1371 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1900 ... | 18015 |
| ,, ,, issued 1899-1900 ... ... ... | 187602 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 627 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 42333 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1899... | 3771 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 25th, 1900 ... | 7250 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 844 |
| ,, Students' Tickets issued ... ... ... | 508 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 1270 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 329 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 30 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1899-1900.

| | | 1899. | Additions. | Deductions. | 1900. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy... | 785 | 4 | — | 789 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 569 | 28 | — | 597 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... | 1574 | 73 | 2 | 1645 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 2751 | 85 | — | 2836 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 437 | 1 | — | 438 |
| ,, F | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c. ... ... | 1461 | 51 | — | 1512 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature... | 4113 | 230 | — | 4343 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 11690 | 472 | 2 | 12160 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1899-1900.

| | | 1899. | Additions. | 1900. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 921 | 24 | 945 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 606 | 42 | 648 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1573 | 199 | 1772 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 4613 | 222 | 4835 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 583 | 30 | 613 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 6021 | 211 | 6232 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 1866 | 104 | 1970 |
| ,, H | Magazines ... ... ... ... | 351 | 21 | 372 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | 110 | 518 | 628 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 16644 | 1371 | 18015 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH, 1899, TO MARCH 25TH, 1900.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopaedias, Dictionaries, &c. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1899. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 24 | 16 | 85 | 124 | 20 | 43 | 82 | 394 | 6 | 65 |
| April ... | 130 | 90 | 424 | 681 | 83 | 245 | 616 | 2269 | 30 | 75 |
| May ... | 226 | 86 | 462 | 434 | 35 | 227 | 502 | 1972 | 31 | 63 |
| June ... | 151 | 91 | 374 | 359 | 50 | 187 | 356 | 1568 | 30 | 52 |
| July ... | 99 | 44 | 313 | 226 | 40 | 125 | 195 | 1042 | 24 | 43 |
| August ... | 149 | 88 | 328 | 334 | 51 | 191 | 337 | 1478 | 31 | 47 |
| September | 132 | 52 | 404 | 426 | 56 | 170 | 437 | 1677 | 30 | 55 |
| October ... | 162 | 72 | 442 | 390 | 49 | 422 | 582 | 2119 | 31 | 68 |
| November | 146 | 86 | 619 | 444 | 101 | 494 | 652 | 2542 | 30 | 84 |
| December | 149 | 125 | 382 | 332 | 46 | 476 | 479 | 1989 | 30 | 66 |
| 1900. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 155 | 111 | 719 | 521 | 149 | 504 | 544 | 2703 | 31 | 87 |
| February ... | 141 | 98 | 548 | 485 | 79 | 453 | 638 | 2442 | 28 | 87 |
| March 1st to 25th | 99 | 115 | 326 | 343 | 36 | 297 | 447 | 1663 | 25 | 66 |
| Totals... | 1763 | 1074 | 5426 | 5099 | 795 | 3834 | 5867 | 23858 | 357 | 66 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1899-1900.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total issue (March 26th, 1899, to March 25th, 1900) ... ... | 1935 |
| Sundays open ... ... ... ... ... ... | 52 |
| Average Sunday issue ... ... ... ... ... | 37 |

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## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH, 1899, TO MARCH 25TH, 1900.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Magazines. | Juvenile Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1899. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 20 | 14 | 149 | 143 | 32 | 1891 | 80 | 43 | ... | 2372 | 4 | 593 |
| April ... | 162 | 92 | 1016 | 1015 | 161 | 12721 | 491 | 278 | 547 | 16483 | 24 | 686 |
| May ... | 141 | 78 | 944 | 1045 | 170 | 11334 | 450 | 254 | 1183 | 15599 | 26 | 599 |
| June ... | 97 | 45 | 569 | 699 | 127 | 7783 | 317 | 146 | 1702 | 11485 | 25 | 459 |
| July ... | 64 | 51 | 566 | 621 | 96 | 7861 | 269 | 144 | 1369 | 11041 | 20 | 552 |
| August ... | 111 | 79 | 711 | 798 | 109 | 9723 | 369 | 242 | 1758 | 13900 | 26 | 534 |
| September | 135 | 83 | 894 | 942 | 121 | 11272 | 453 | 255 | 2089 | 16244 | 26 | 624 |
| October ... | 134 | 91 | 956 | 1014 | 174 | 11650 | 470 | 249 | 2127 | 16865 | 26 | 648 |
| November... | 139 | 116 | 922 | 1144 | 183 | 11826 | 513 | 277 | 2172 | 17292 | 26 | 665 |
| December... | 129 | 68 | 842 | 1066 | 143 | 10624 | 444 | 282 | 1904 | 15502 | 24 | 645 |
| 1900. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 168 | 75 | 1035 | 1243 | 195 | 12731 | 584 | 303 | 2246 | 18580 | 27 | 688 |
| February ... | 133 | 91 | 906 | 1098 | 198 | 11791 | 626 | 252 | 1829 | 16924 | 24 | 705 |
| March 1st to 25th | 133 | 100 | 894 | 1045 | 149 | 10812 | 544 | 254 | 1384 | 15315 | 21 | 729 |
| Totals ... | 1566 | 983 | 10404 | 11873 | 1858 | 132019 | 5610 | 2979 | 20310 | 187602 | 299 | 627 |

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH,

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

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|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1899 ... | 7280 |
| ,, ,, added 1899-1900 ... ... ... | 894 |
| ,, ,, worn out and not replaced ... ... | 56 |
| ,, ,, in stock on March 25th, 1900 ... | 8118 |
| ,, ,, issued 1899-1900 ... ... ... | 68573 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 229 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 10051 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1899 ... | 1146 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 25th, 1900 ... | 2026 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 462 |
| ,, Students' Tickets issued... ... ... ... | 121 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 358 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... | 12 |
| ,, replaced by borrowers ... ... ... ... | 8 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1899-1900.

| | | 1899. | Net Additions. | 1900. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 271 | 6 | 277 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 237 | 15 | 252 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | 546 | 39 | 585 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1701 | 103 | 1804 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 303 | 10 | 313 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3409 | 130 | 3539 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 704 | 35 | 739 |
| ,, H | Magazines ... ... ... | — | 1 | 1 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | 109 | 499 | 608 |
| | Totals ... ... | 7280 | 838 | 8118 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS FROM MARCH 26TH 1899, TO MARCH, 25TH, 1900.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Juvenile Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1899. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 2 | 1 | 31 | 49 | 6 | 740 | 30 | — | 859 | 4 | 214 |
| April ... | 34 | 25 | 194 | 329 | 44 | 4787 | 256 | 226 | 5895 | 24 | 245 |
| May ... | 28 | 28 | 200 | 307 | 30 | 4361 | 236 | 778 | 5968 | 26 | 229 |
| June ... | 20 | 12 | 120 | 191 | 27 | 3138 | 147 | 672 | 4327 | 25 | 173 |
| July ... | 24 | 13 | 137 | 201 | 22 | 2873 | 115 | 786 | 4171 | 20 | 201 |
| August ... | 23 | 22 | 153 | 246 | 40 | 3513 | 207 | 913 | 5117 | 26 | 196 |
| September | 27 | 24 | 212 | 285 | 41 | 4107 | 269 | 894 | 5859 | 26 | 225 |
| October ... | 15 | 26 | 199 | 312 | 32 | 4145 | 254 | 1181 | 6164 | 26 | 237 |
| November... | 27 | 19 | 223 | 331 | 26 | 4221 | 333 | 1114 | 6294 | 26 | 242 |
| December... | 29 | 16 | 181 | 314 | 31 | 3709 | 183 | 1017 | 5480 | 24 | 228 |
| 1900. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 24 | 20 | 196 | 375 | 50 | 4637 | 314 | 1177 | 6793 | 27 | 251 |
| February ... | 26 | 16 | 238 | 318 | 23 | 4184 | 239 | 1082 | 6126 | 24 | 255 |
| March 1st to 25th ... | 26 | 18 | 154 | 318 | 41 | 3709 | 246 | 1008 | 5520 | 21 | 262 |
| Totals | 305 | 240 | 2238 | 3576 | 413 | 48124 | 2829 | 10848 | 68573 | 299 | 229 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH,

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1899 ... | 7161 |
| ,, ,, added 1899-1900 ... ... ... | 860 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 25th, 1900 ... | 8021 |
| ,, ,, issued 1899-1900 ... ... ... | 49830 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 166 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 11295 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1899 ... | 787 |
| ,, ,, on March 25th, 1900 ... ... ... | 1369 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 313 |
| ,, Students' Tickets issued... ... ... ... | 67 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 271 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 45 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 4 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1899-1900.

| | | 1899. | Additions. | 1900. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 436 | 3 | 439 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 250 | 19 | 269 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... ... | 536 | 34 | 570 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1373 | 88 | 1461 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 278 | 8 | 286 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3626 | 160 | 3786 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 562 | 23 | 585 |
| ,, H | Magazines ... ... ... ... | — | 1 | 1 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | 100 | 524 | 624 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 7161 | 860 | 8021 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM MARCH 26TH, 1899, TO MARCH 25TH, 1900.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Juvenile Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1899. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 1 | 1 | 18 | 23 | 3 | 456 | 9 | ... | 511 | 4 | 127 |
| April ... | 28 | 8 | 99 | 187 | 36 | 3465 | 58 | 164 | 4045 | 24 | 168 |
| May ... | 18 | 5 | 103 | 187 | 26 | 3224 | 56 | 568 | 4187 | 26 | 161 |
| June ... | 19 | 5 | 72 | 107 | 32 | 2201 | 37 | 602 | 3075 | 25 | 123 |
| July ... | 14 | 6 | 76 | 88 | 14 | 1975 | 25 | 558 | 2756 | 20 | 137 |
| August ... | 13 | 5 | 58 | 111 | 16 | 2512 | 22 | 659 | 3396 | 26 | 130 |
| September | 12 | 7 | 100 | 136 | 29 | 2948 | 57 | 789 | 4078 | 26 | 156 |
| October ... | 10 | 5 | 122 | 167 | 21 | 2972 | 47 | 760 | 4104 | 26 | 157 |
| November | 19 | 5 | 120 | 168 | 32 | 2956 | 52 | 963 | 4315 | 26 | 165 |
| December | 12 | 11 | 126 | 183 | 45 | 2872 | 55 | 1009 | 4313 | 24 | 179 |
| 1900. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 24 | 9 | 144 | 248 | 41 | 3571 | 78 | 1143 | 5258 | 27 | 194 |
| February ... | 22 | 11 | 120 | 278 | 47 | 3301 | 100 | 1158 | 5037 | 24 | 209 |
| March 1st to 25th | 24 | 17 | 109 | 228 | 43 | 3049 | 86 | 1199 | 4755 | 21 | 226 |
| Totals ... | 216 | 95 | 1267 | 2111 | 385 | 35502 | 682 | 9572 | 49830 | 299 | 166 |

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| Batty, Miss Cissie, 7 Juer Street, Battersea ... ... | 1 | |
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| Patent Office, 25 Southampton Buildings, W.C. ... | 2 | |
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| Phœbe A. Hearst Competition, San Francisco ... ... | 1 | |
| Porter, R. H., 7 Princes Street, Cavendish Square, W. ... | 1 | |
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Incorporated Accountants' Journal
Indian Magazine and Review
Insurance Agent
Inventors' Review
Journal of Clerk of Works Association
Labour Co-partnership
Labour Gazette
Liberator
Liberty Review
Literary Guide
London Art Fashion Journal
London Technical Education Gazette
Monthly Journal of Incorporated Society of Musicians

MONTHLY (*Continued.*)

Musical Herald
Musical Times
National Church
National Deposit Friendly Society's Journal
Nature Notes
New Church Magazine
Orchestral Association Gazette
Our Waifs and Strays
Patents
Philatelic Journal
Pioneer of Wisdom
Positivist Review
Rochester Diocesan Chronicle
St. Barnabas Parish Magazine
Social Democrat
State Correspondent
Stationery World
Students Journal (Graham's Phonography)
Thermostat
Tool and Machinery Register
Travel
University Correspondent
War or Brotherhood
Working Men's College Journal
Zoophilist

QUARTERLY.

Deceased Seamen (Official List)
Englishwoman's Review

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# ANNUAL REPORT.

**1900=1901.**

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1901.

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1900-1901.

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## LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Assistant-in-Charge*—CHARLES COLMAN.

*Assistant*—ANTHONY DONNELLY.

*Caretaker*—MRS. ELLIS.

# REPORT.

The Library Committee submit their Report for the twelve months ended March 31st, 1901.

The number of registered borrowers is 13,952, of whom 9,263 are enrolled at the Central Library, 2,755 at Lurline Gardens, and 1,934 at Lammas Hall.

The number of volumes in stock is 48,941, of which 12,903 are in the Reference Department, and 19,345 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 8,430 at Lurline Gardens, and 8,263 at Lammas Hall. The additions during the year number 2,627 volumes, 454 of these having been presented and 2,173 purchased.

The number of volumes issued during the year was 376,363, of which 21,632 were given out in the Reference Department, and 221,337 in the Lending Department of the Central Library, 74,479 at Lurline Gardens, and 58,915 at Lammas Hall. The total issues in the previous year were 329,863.

In September, 1900, the Vestry resolved, upon the recommendation of the Library Committee, to erect a Reading Room for Children on the vacant ground at the rear of the Central Library. This room will accommodate about 100 readers, will have a separate entrance from Green Lane, and will cost, on the Surveyor's estimate, £557. The necessity for additional facilities for readers at the Central Library has been felt for some time, and in order to meet this want it has been decided to convert the Book Store on the first floor, and the Lecture Room

above it, into one apartment to be used as a new Magazine Room, the old room on the ground floor being utilised as an auxiliary News Room. This alteration, which is estimated to cost £630, having also received the approval of the Vestry, application has been made to the Local Government Board for sanction to borrow the sum of £1,454 12s. 6d. with which to carry out this work and to erect the Children's Reading Room, including £109 2s. 0d. the cost of certain additions to the latter required by the Local Government Board Inspector who held the Local Inquiry. As soon as the proposed loan has been approved, these works will be commenced by the Works Department.

Among other works in progress may be mentioned the enlargement of the Magazine Room at Lurline Gardens, and preparations to throw open to the public the garden at the rear of that Branch. Arrangements have also been made with the National Telephone Company for the Branch Libraries to be connected by telephone with the Central Library.

In April, 1900, an offer was received from Dr. C. W. Kimmins, Secretary of the London Society for the Extension of University Teaching, of a course of free lectures to be delivered in connection with the Library during Michaelmas Term, the expenses of which would be borne by Mr. J. Passmore Edwards. This offer was accepted by the Vestry, who granted the use of the Lower Town Hall for the purposes of the Lectures, which were delivered by Dr. Arthur Rickett, M.A., on "Master-Spirits of the Age." One of the first acts of the Borough Council was, on December 13rd, 1900, to accord its thanks to Mr. Passmore Edwards for providing these lectures, and to give directions for further courses to be delivered during the Session. These were given by Mr. F. S. Boas, M.A., on "Studies in Carlyle and Ruskin," in the Upper Town Hall during the Lent Term, and the same lecturer has just commenced a short Summer course on "Tennyson." Admission to all these lectures

has been free and the attendance has been most satisfactory, the room being crowded on every occasion. The usual examination has been held at the end of each term with highly successful results.

With the view ot making better known the contents of the Reference Library, an exhibition of some of the principal books on Architecture, Building Construction. Decoration, Furniture, etc., was held in the Lecture Room on January 18th and 19th, 1901, and was attended by 134 persons. A second exhibition, consisting of books on the Fine Arts took place on March 7th, 8th and 9th, the attendance during the three days being 627.

In continuation of the experiment of allowing readers free access to the books, a number of open shelves have been placed in the Magazine Room at the Lurline Gardens Branch and filled with works of reference such as Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, Directories and Annuals of various kinds. The books are not only well used, but well treated, and neither at this Branch nor at the Central Library has a single volume been lost from the "open" shelves.

Many valuable gifts have been received during the year, and a complete list of them is given in the Appendix, but special mention should be made of the very important donation received from the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury in March, 1901, which consisted of 197 volumes in continuation of the grant made by Their Lordships in August, 1888, and comprised the following:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Calendars of State Papers | ... ... | 62 vols. |
| Acts of the Privy Council | ... ... | 11 ,, |
| Chronicles and Memorials of Great Britain and Ireland during the Middle Ages | ... | 73 ,, |

| | |
|---|---|
| Publications of the Record Commissioners, &c. ... ... ... ... | 5 Vols. |
| Scottish Records ... ... ... | 34 ,, |
| Irish Records ... ... ... ... | 8 ,, |
| Miscellaneous Publications ... ... | 4 ,, |

In September, 1900, the Vestry presented a model section of the strata passed through in the bore hole for the artesian well sunk at the Baths in Latchmere Road, and this has been placed in the Reference Library, serving as an excellent illustration of the geology of the London District.

At the date of this Report the Library Committee are considering the rules of the Lending Departments with the object of ascertaining how far the conditions under which books are lent may be simplified and better adapted to the convenience of readers. Upon their recommendation the Borough Council have already authorised the abolition of guarantees, so that, in future, readers of any age will be permitted to borrow books upon an undertaking signed only by themselves. The question of abolishing fines for the detention of books is under consideration, and a circular has been addressed to each Library Authority in London, asking whether they would be favourable to the plan of making all Lending Library tickets interchangeable throughout London, thus enabling readers to borrow books from any Library without reference to the locality in which they reside.

A Supplementary Catalogue of the Central Lending Department, containing the titles of all books added between May, 1898, and April, 1901, has just been printed, and a fifth edition of the Indicator-Key of Class F (Fiction) is in the press.

The usual detailed statistical information, a list of donors, &c., are appended.

WM. LETHBRIDGE, *Chairman.*
LAWRENCE INKSTER, *Librarian.*

BATTERSEA PUBLIC LIBRARY,
LAVENDER HILL, LONDON, S.W.
*April 29th*, 1901.

# APPENDIX.

## ANNUAL ISSUES AND STOCK SINCE THE OPENING OF THE LIBRARIES.

| YEAR. | Reference Library. | Lending Library. | Lurline Gardens Branch. | Lammas Hall Branch. | Total Issues. | Total Stock. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1888-89 | ... | ... | ... | 46,403 | 46,403 | 5,357 |
| 1889-90 | 3,059 | 28,293 | ... | 89,473 | 120,825 | 22,841 |
| 1890-91 | 17,971 | 192,766 | 25,725 | 45,701 | 282,163 | 28,740 |
| 1891-92 | 15,864 | 178,261 | 46,146 | 39,387 | 279,658 | 30,038 |
| 1892-93 | 18,212 | 171,558 | 47,062 | 38,159 | 274,991 | 31,550 |
| 1893-94 | 22,756 | 178,936 | 49,869 | 37,679 | 289,240 | 32,981 |
| 1894-95 | 20,753 | 180,484 | 56,232 | 39,050 | 296,519 | 34,460 |
| 1895-96 | 17,996 | 136,129 | 44,720 | 28,917 | 227,762 | 35,860 |
| 1896-97 | 19,697 | 164,238 | 54,944 | 33,280 | 272,159 | 38,959 |
| 1897-98 | 21,746 | 165,919 | 59,829 | 36,987 | 284,481 | 40,930 |
| 1898-99 | 23,098 | 166,150 | 58,854 | 39,537 | 287,639 | 42,775 |
| 1899-1900 | 23,858 | 187,602 | 68,573 | 49,830 | 329,863 | 46,314 |
| 1900-1901 | 21,632 | 221,337 | 74,479 | 58,915 | 376,363 | 48,941 |

# CENTRAL LIBRARY, LAVENDER HILL.

*Opened March 26th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

### REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1900 ... | 12160 |
| ,, ,, added 1900-1901 ... ... ... | 789 |
| ,, ,, transferred to Lending Department | 46 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 31st, 1901 ... | 12903 |
| ,, ,, issued 1900-1901 ... ... ... | 21632 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 59 |
| Number of Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 357 |

### LENDING DEPARTMENT.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1900 ... | 18015 |
| ,, ,, added 1900-1901 ... ... ... | 1330 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 31st, 1901 ... | 19345 |
| ,, ,, issued 1900-1901 ... ... ... | 221337 |
| Daily average... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 725 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 47026 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1900... | 4693 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 31st, 1901 ... | 8164 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 1099 |
| ,, Students' Tickets issued ... ... ... | 851 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 1426 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 500 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 22 |
| ,, destroyed and paid for by the Health Department | 43 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT, 1900-1901.

| | | 1900. | Additions. | Deductions. | 1901. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy... | 789 | 4 | — | 793 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... | 597 | 35 | — | 632 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... | 1645 | 46 | — | 1691 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... | 2836 | 366 | — | 3202 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... | 438 | 1 | — | 439 |
| ,, F | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c. ... ... | 1512 | 94 | — | 1606 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature... | 4343 | 243 | 46 | 4540 |
| | Totals ... ... ... | 12160 | 789 | 46 | 12903 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK, AND ADDITIONS TO THE LENDING DEPARTMENT, 1900-1901.

| | | 1900. | Additions. | 1901 |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... | 945 | 30 | 975 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 648 | 101 | 749 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... | 1772 | 173 | 1945 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 4835 | 328 | 5163 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 613 | 47 | 660 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 6232 | 237 | 6469 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... | 1970 | 169 | 2139 |
| ,, H | Magazines ... ... ... ... | 372 | 125 | 497 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | 628 | 120 | 748 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 18015 | 1330 | 19345 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH, 1900, TO MARCH 31ST, 1901.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Encyclopædias, Dictionaries, &c. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1900. | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 25 | 31 | 131 | 79 | 22 | 78 | 85 | 451 | 6 | 90 |
| April ... | 170 | 157 | 470 | 393 | 66 | 386 | 647 | 2289 | 30 | 76 |
| May ... | 167 | 83 | 369 | 272 | 75 | 385 | 627 | 1978 | 31 | 63 |
| June ... | 103 | 61 | 309 | 250 | 65 | 293 | 432 | 1513 | 30 | 50 |
| July ... | 90 | 68 | 201 | 221 | 31 | 203 | 349 | 1163 | 24 | 48 |
| August ... | 97 | 65 | 241 | 325 | 100 | 223 | 748 | 1799 | 31 | 58 |
| September | 145 | 65 | 380 | 352 | 70 | 217 | 512 | 1741 | 30 | 58 |
| October ... | 125 | 73 | 341 | 418 | 91 | 205 | 494 | 1747 | 31 | 56 |
| November | 161 | 117 | 311 | 318 | 106 | 252 | 618 | 1883 | 30 | 62 |
| December | 70 | 81 | 391 | 315 | 91 | 268 | 494 | 1710 | 30 | 57 |
| 1901. | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 96 | 82 | 357 | 374 | 69 | 244 | 636 | 1858 | 31 | 59 |
| February ... | 77 | 80 | 334 | 275 | 43 | 175 | 451 | 1435 | 28 | 51 |
| March ... | 81 | 112 | 393 | 404 | 47 | 330 | 698 | 2065 | 31 | 66 |
| Totals... | 1407 | 1075 | 4228 | 3996 | 876 | 3259 | 6791 | 21632 | 363 | 59 |

## NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT ON SUNDAYS (3 p.m. to 9 p.m.) 1900-1901.

| | |
|---|---|
| Total issue (March 26th, 1900, to March 31st, 1901) ... ... | 1398 |
| Sundays open ... ... ... ... ... ... | 52 |
| Average Sunday issue ... ... ... ... ... | 27 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED IN THE LENDING DEPARTMENT FROM MARCH 26TH, 1900, TO MARCH 31ST, 1901.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Magazines. | Juvenile Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1900. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 39 | 19 | 253 | 293 | 50 | 3013 | 141 | 66 | 351 | 4225 | 6 | 704 |
| April ... | 164 | 91 | 980 | 1092 | 152 | 12156 | 532 | 253 | 1541 | 16961 | 23 | 737 |
| May ... | 184 | 99 | 1001 | 1138 | 190 | 12102 | 567 | 265 | 1530 | 17076 | 27 | 632 |
| June ... | 119 | 73 | 708 | 859 | 109 | 9637 | 417 | 208 | 1262 | 13392 | 24 | 559 |
| July ... | 94 | 58 | 594 | 663 | 111 | 8303 | 327 | 178 | 1147 | 11475 | 20 | 573 |
| August ... | 162 | 76 | 837 | 958 | 172 | 11409 | 521 | 217 | 1647 | 15999 | 26 | 615 |
| September | 161 | 97 | 959 | 1050 | 187 | 12257 | 603 | 239 | 1682 | 17235 | 25 | 689 |
| October ... | 185 | 140 | 1124 | 1142 | 220 | 14117 | 725 | 269 | 1978 | 19900 | 27 | 737 |
| November... | 178 | 127 | 1249 | 1308 | 211 | 14460 | 802 | 271 | 2073 | 20679 | 26 | 795 |
| December... | 176 | 115 | 1207 | 1294 | 221 | 13700 | 739 | 322 | 2161 | 19935 | 24 | 830 |
| 1901. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 155 | 129 | 1235 | 1271 | 213 | 14600 | 753 | 322 | 2499 | 21177 | 27 | 784 |
| February ... | 210 | 120 | 1148 | 1311 | 216 | 13360 | 778 | 321 | 2352 | 19816 | 24 | 825 |
| March ... | 226 | 146 | 1394 | 1620 | 301 | 15947 | 889 | 384 | 2560 | 23467 | 26 | 902 |
| Totals ... | 2053 | 1290 | 12689 | 13999 | 2353 | 155061 | 7794 | 3315 | 22783 | 221337 | 305 | 725 |

# LURLINE GARDENS BRANCH.

*Opened September 30th, 1890.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1900 ... | 8118 |
| ,, ,, added 1900-1901 ... ... ... | 312 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 31st, 1901 ... | 8430 |
| ,, ,, issued 1900-1901 ... ... ... | 74479 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 244 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 11383 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1900 ... | 1332 |
| ,, ,, ,, on March 31st, 1901 ... | 2304 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 451 |
| ,, Students' Tickets issued... ... ... ... | 162 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 544 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 354 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 14 |
| ,, destroyed and paid for by the Health Department... | 15 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LURLINE GARDENS, AND ADDITIONS, 1900-1901.

| | | 1900. | Additions. | 1901. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 277 | 2 | 279 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 252 | 5 | 257 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | 585 | 12 | 597 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1804 | 42 | 1846 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 313 | 2 | 315 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3539 | 100 | 3639 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 739 | 35 | 774 |
| ,, H | Magazines ... ... ... | 1 | — | 1 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | 608 | 114 | 722 |
| | Totals ... ... | 8118 | 312 | 8430 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LURLINE GARDENS FROM MARCH 26TH, 1900, TO MARCH, 31ST, 1901.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Magazines. | Juvenile Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1900. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 7 | 4 | 45 | 73 | 17 | 1011 | 58 | — | 278 | 1493 | 6 | 248 |
| April ... | 39 | 20 | 208 | 312 | 21 | 4062 | 220 | — | 1149 | 6031 | 23 | 262 |
| May ... | 38 | 12 | 160 | 277 | 53 | 4075 | 206 | — | 1039 | 5860 | 27 | 217 |
| June ... | 13 | 8 | 155 | 204 | 38 | 3371 | 169 | — | 802 | 4760 | 24 | 198 |
| July ... | 20 | 8 | 124 | 210 | 31 | 2876 | 129 | — | 654 | 4052 | 20 | 202 |
| August ... | 27 | 16 | 156 | 225 | 36 | 4014 | 180 | 2 | 889 | 5545 | 26 | 213 |
| September | 43 | 6 | 190 | 244 | 57 | 4117 | 222 | — | 885 | 5764 | 25 | 230 |
| October ... | 32 | 25 | 213 | 314 | 49 | 4664 | 244 | — | 1086 | 6627 | 27 | 245 |
| November... | 42 | 21 | 208 | 304 | 62 | 4740 | 173 | — | 1195 | 6745 | 26 | 259 |
| December... | 37 | 23 | 194 | 263 | 61 | 4276 | 157 | — | 1157 | 6168 | 24 | 257 |
| 1901. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 35 | 21 | 238 | 323 | 51 | 4680 | 164 | — | 1283 | 6795 | 27 | 251 |
| February ... | 25 | 27 | 213 | 362 | 64 | 4640 | 146 | — | 1219 | 6696 | 24 | 279 |
| March ... | 30 | 16 | 251 | 412 | 52 | 5422 | 160 | — | 1600 | 7943 | 26 | 305 |
| Totals | 388 | 207 | 2355 | 3523 | 592 | 51948 | 2228 | 2 | 13236 | 74479 | 305 | 244 |

# LAMMAS HALL BRANCH.

*Opened October 25th, 1888.*

## SUMMARY.

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Volumes in Stock on March 26th, 1900 ... | 8021 |
| ,, ,, added 1900-1901 ... ... ... | 242 |
| ,, ,, in Stock on March 31st, 1901 ... | 8263 |
| ,, ,, issued 1900-1901 ... ... ... | 58915 |
| Daily average ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 193 |
| Number of Borrowers enrolled since opening ... ... | 12206 |
| ,, ,, ,, ,, March 26th, 1900 ... | 911 |
| ,, ,, on March 31st, 1901 ... ... ... | 1606 |
| ,, Juvenile Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 328 |
| ,, Students' Tickets issued... ... ... ... | 73 |
| ,, Volumes bound ... ... ... ... ... | 263 |
| Books worn out and replaced by new copies ... ... | 238 |
| ,, replaced by Borrowers ... ... ... ... | 5 |
| ,, destroyed and paid for by the Health Department | 13 |

## CLASSIFICATION OF THE BOOKS IN STOCK AT LAMMAS HALL, AND ADDITIONS, 1900-1901.

| | | 1900. | Additions. | 1901. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Class A | Religion and Philosophy ... ... | 439 | 2 | 441 |
| ,, B | Sociology ... ... ... ... | 269 | 3 | 272 |
| ,, C | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History ... ... ... ... | 570 | 9 | 579 |
| ,, D | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels ... ... ... | 1461 | 24 | 1485 |
| ,, E | Poetry and the Drama ... ... | 286 | — | 286 |
| ,, F | Prose Fiction ... ... ... | 3786 | 75 | 3861 |
| ,, G | Miscellaneous Literature ... ... | 585 | 13 | 598 |
| ,, H | Magazines ... ... ... ... | 1 | — | 1 |
| ,, J | Juvenile Literature ... ... | 624 | 116 | 740 |
| | Totals ... ... ... ... | 8021 | 242 | 8263 |

# TABLE

## SHOWING THE NUMBER OF VOLUMES ISSUED AT LAMMAS HALL FROM MARCH 26TH, 1900, TO MARCH 31ST, 1901.

| Month. | Religion and Philosophy. | Sociology. | Arts, Sciences, and Natural History. | History, Biography, Geography, and Travels. | Poetry and the Drama. | Prose Fiction. | Miscellaneous Literature. | Magazines. | Juvenile Literature. | Totals. | Days open. | Daily average. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1900. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| March 26th to 31st | 4 | 3 | 31 | 56 | 9 | 841 | 14 | — | 292 | 1250 | 6 | 208 |
| April ... | 23 | 12 | 92 | 229 | 40 | 3328 | 71 | — | 1250 | 5045 | 23 | 218 |
| May ... | 24 | 11 | 98 | 187 | 33 | 3229 | 80 | 1 | 1010 | 4673 | 27 | 173 |
| June ... | 7 | 11 | 45 | 141 | 23 | 2293 | 43 | — | 668 | 3231 | 24 | 134 |
| July ... | 11 | 7 | 62 | 130 | 23 | 1915 | 41 | — | 548 | 2737 | 20 | 136 |
| August ... | 17 | 7 | 96 | 199 | 26 | 2956 | 67 | 1 | 696 | 4065 | 26 | 156 |
| September | 25 | 12 | 116 | 201 | 40 | 2995 | 77 | — | 780 | 4246 | 25 | 169 |
| October ... | 34 | 11 | 143 | 259 | 42 | 3479 | 85 | — | 991 | 5044 | 27 | 186 |
| November | 43 | 30 | 167 | 264 | 54 | 3822 | 122 | — | 1155 | 5657 | 26 | 217 |
| December | 33 | 10 | 160 | 245 | 45 | 3658 | 91 | — | 1152 | 5394 | 24 | 224 |
| 1901. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| January ... | 44 | 13 | 166 | 271 | 55 | 3975 | 112 | — | 1195 | 5831 | 27 | 216 |
| February ... | 45 | 15 | 155 | 257 | 63 | 3725 | 112 | — | 1095 | 5467 | 24 | 227 |
| March ... | 47 | 12 | 180 | 295 | 52 | 4309 | 113 | — | 1267 | 6275 | 26 | 241 |
| Totals ... | 357 | 154 | 1511 | 2734 | 505 | 40525 | 1028 | 2 | 12099 | 58915 | 305 | 193 |

## LIST OF DONORS OF BOOKS, PAMPHLETS, &c.

| | Vols. | Pamphlets, etc. |
|---|---|---|
| Accountants and Auditors, Society of. Three periodicals monthly ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Allison, Mrs. C. E., 599 Romford Road, Forest Gate. Three periodicals monthly ... ... ... | | |
| Anonymous ... ... ... ... .. | 3 | |
| Asylum for the Education of Deaf and Dumb Children of the Poor, 93 Cannon Street, E.C. ... ... | 1 | |
| Austin, Lt.-Col. A. G. Godwin, 79 Lexham Gardens, S.W. | 1 | |
| Ayling, G. I., 30 Linda Street, Battersea. One periodical monthly ... ... ... ... ... | | |
| Bacon Society, 25 Parliament Street, S.W. One periodical quarterly ... ... ... ... ... | | |
| Barnes, Hedley, 15 Taybridge Road, Clapham Common. One periodical weekly ... ... ... | | |
| Barnett, A. B., 1 Brynmaer Road, Battersea ... ... | 1 | |
| Battersea Borough Council (and Minutes of Proceedings as issued) ... ... ... ... ... | 19 | |
| Battersea Labour League, 455 Battersea Park Road, S.W. Three periodicals monthly ... ... ... | | |
| Booth, W. B., 101 Queen Victoria Street, E.C. Three periodicals monthly ... ... ... ... | | |
| Bowles, T. G., M.P., 25 Lowndes Square, Belgrave Square, S.W. ... ... ... ... ... | 1 | |
| Bradbury, Agnew, Messrs. & Co., 10 Bouverie Street, E.C. | 1 | |
| Brémont, Anna, Comtesse de, c/o Messrs. Greening & Co., 20 Cecil Court, Charing Cross Road ... ... | 1 | |
| Bristol Museum and Reference Library ... ... | | 1 |
| British Horological Institute, Northampton Square, E.C. Three periodicals monthly ... ... ... | | |
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